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From the roof comes boyish laughter!
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how they're defying gravity.

Their work is full of manly action:
while pulling staples, scraping shingles,
singing with the radio jingles,
gives me a stealthy satisfaction.

— Aline Faben

On the Cover
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A Kink in the Chain

Editor:

When I went to donate a cow to the local food bank, I was directed to Redwood Meat Co.'s slaughterhouse ("Pandemic Widens Gaps in Regional Food Supply Chain," June 4). They are so swamped, they said, that they didn't have an opening to slaughter local beef until December. On hearing it was to be a Food for People donation, however, they promised to "squeeze one in" for July.

Here we are in Humboldt with some of the best year-round pastures in the state, producing top quality, grass fed and finished beef and our one slaughterhouse is booked up, often by out-of-county enterprises who can't find slaughterhouses in their counties. California used to have lots of local meat processing facilities but regulations meant to curb abuses of the corporate monopolies have made it nearly impossible for the small ones to survive. If not for the dedication and commitment of the Nylanders of Redwood Meat Co. persisting despite new waves of regulations and inspectors, we wouldn't even have local beef in our diet.

California needs to make it easy for residents to eat locally, by reducing regulations on the small, conscientious meat packing outfits that are needed to keep our people and ag economy healthy.

Michael Evenson, Petrolia

'Her Name Was Ida'

Editor:

After reading your May 28 issue, I would like to thank you for your article: "Her Name Was Ida" and "A Glimpse Inside Alder Bay." My stepmother moved into Alder Bay in July of 2017 and was placed at the dining table with Ida. As time passed we soon discovered her to be a remarkable and kind soul. Ida took it upon herself to make our family feel right at home. She always would ask about what was new in your life and then maybe inquire if you had seen the latest golf match or ball game of the day.

We would also like to thank the entire Alder Bay staff for their dedication and service to both Ida and our family during the COVID-19 crisis. We will always miss Ida Newell and we always remember the sacrifices and devotion shown by the staff of Alder Bay.

Harry Kavich, Eureka

Editor:

The families and friends of Ida Newell thank the *North Coast Journal*, Thadeus Greenon, Mark McKenna and Jennifer Fumiko Cahill for the great job they did on the story "Her Name Was Ida" published

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Terry Torgerson

in the May 28 issue. This story gives your readers a heartwarming and sensitive look into who Ida was over her 97-year life span. The photos on your website capture her love of life.

We appreciate the related story "A Glimpse Inside Alder Bay." Ida was very happy and well cared for during her four years as a resident of Alder Bay.

On behalf of Evo and Catherine Fanucchi, as well as the Fanucchi, McKenna, Newel and Barkdull families, we ask everyone to keep their residents and staff in your thoughts and prayers as they continue to deal with the deadly COVID-19 virus.

When you think or talk about the first person in our county who died from this virus, don't think of her as a grim statistic in our county's history, just remember, "Her Name Was Ida."

Lynn McKenna, Eureka

A Hero Among Us

Editor:

It is exciting to discover that we have a superhero living in Eureka. Thanks to Thadeus Greenon's June 11 article "21 Days in the Park," we are introduced to Myrna Dipert. This inspirational article gave me a comforting, refreshing feeling of hope that I have sorely missed since February. Myrna Dipert is an outstanding, incredible woman.

Myrna knew beforehand how dangerous and stressful the COVID-19 New York assignment was going to be and yet she still unselfishly volunteered her precious time by sharing valuable medical skills. She didn't even complain when encountering physical, mental and emotional discomfort while observing tragic, human suffering. How many people would be willing to

sacrifice leisure time to perform complex duties under the most stressful circumstances and, most remarkably, to fulfill these duties without being financially compensated. She is a true hero.

I'm so impressed and thankful there are people such as Myrna. These are difficult times we are going through and reading about Myrna's experiences makes my everyday inconveniences so much more tolerable. Thank you Myrna. I hope I get a chance to meet you some time so I can personally thank you ... even if it is speaking through a mask at 6 feet away.

Robert Cherry, Eureka

A Moving Movement

Editor:

I am moved by all the people marching and the many white people who are having hard talks with each other about racism and wanting change ("Fear to Anger To Rage," June 4).

Racism shows up in all parts of our society. We have all lived with it all our lives. Now we white people are trying to see and talk about racism. It can be hard, but we need to do it.

Racism has led us to fail to see or look away from the many inequalities and even personal mistakes we've made.

Thank you everyone who is talking about racism and struggling to make a better world. I see you. I support you. I encourage you. Let's do it.

Emily Siegel, Eureka

Super Ego

Editor:

What's in Trump's Head?

For three and a half years, I've wondered if President Trump had a brain ("The

Anti-Lincoln,” June 11). From Day One at his inauguration, he insisted he saw a crowd far larger than photos revealed.

He'll often say one thing one day, then something else the next. When called on it, he'll say he was misinterpreted; he's never wrong.

Trump seldom expresses empathy for others. Currently he's shown minimal sympathy for the thousands who have lost loved ones to COVID-19 or for Black Americans who are protesting for racial equality and demanding justice for George Floyd.

In fact, Trump has managed the near impossible. He's turned Floyd's killing by the police into a feather in his own cap by saying, even before Floyd's funeral, that George must be looking down in praise from heaven because of the positive effect the economic bounce will have on race relations, a bounce which ironically wasn't experienced by Black people.

Lastly, we have the “Bible Walk.” Peaceful protesters were forcefully removed from the street so Trump could stroll to a nearby church for a photo-op holding a Bible. Trump with his ego may see the result as positive, but to me, I see an individual with an expression of indifference holding the Bible as if it were an object better left on the shelf.

In conclusion, I can now say Trump does have a brain. However, his brain is abnormal. It is almost completely occupied by his ego with little room for memory, empathy or common sense.

Sherman Schapiro, Blue Lake

There is Help

Editor:

I'd like to thank the *NCJ* for helping to keep our community informed during COVID-19.

PSAs, virtual town halls and local organizations have been helpful educating us about wearing masks, proper hand hygiene and social distancing, as well as food and financial assistance resources.

Unfortunately, I have not heard about resources available in our community for those struggling with stress, sleeplessness, anxiety and other mood issues related to and or independent of COVID-19.

Local therapists are offering sessions through online platforms and or telephone sessions.

People needing support can locate local therapists through several sources, including: www.ncamhp.org/directory.asp, www.psychologytoday.com/us/therapists, and Humboldt Family Services Center at 443-7358 and www.humboldtfamily.org.

Open Door also has therapists on staff to help established Open Door patients.

People can also ask their primary medical providers, some of whom have lists of local therapists.

People with private insurance and/or Partnership can call their insurance companies for a list of contracted therapists.

Fionna M. Davis, Eureka

‘Risen to the Occasion’

Editor:

As I consider Best of Humboldt, I would like to acknowledge the *North Coast Journal* itself. During the COVID-19 crisis your staff has risen to the occasion week after week. Thadeus Greenson seems to single-handedly cover much of the news. His remarkable skill at distilling and conveying complex information to the general reader, issue after issue, is heroic.

All businesses are struggling right now. I am grateful to Greenson, his talented colleague Jennifer Fumiko Cahill and the other staff of *NCJ* who so ably produce top-notch coverage for this county.

Nancy Short, Eureka

‘Where is Your Humanity?’

Editor:

Dear hundreds — perhaps thousands — of drivers traveling north on U.S. Highway 101 to Eureka in the early morning hours of Friday, June 19,

Did you really not see Paul? On the side of the road sitting in the grass shivering, shaking in pain and unable to rise to his feet? I don't believe you did not; he was in plain view. I saw him, stopped, got off my bicycle and called for an ambulance. Too bad for him one-and-a-half hours passed before I stopped, the whole time people driving by pretending not to see him.

Where is your humanity, people? Are you so heartless and uncaring in your Teslas and monster pickups? How could you not help a fellow human so obviously in need?

And I thought COVID-19 was supposed to have made us more caring and considerate.

Andrew Offenbacher, Monterey

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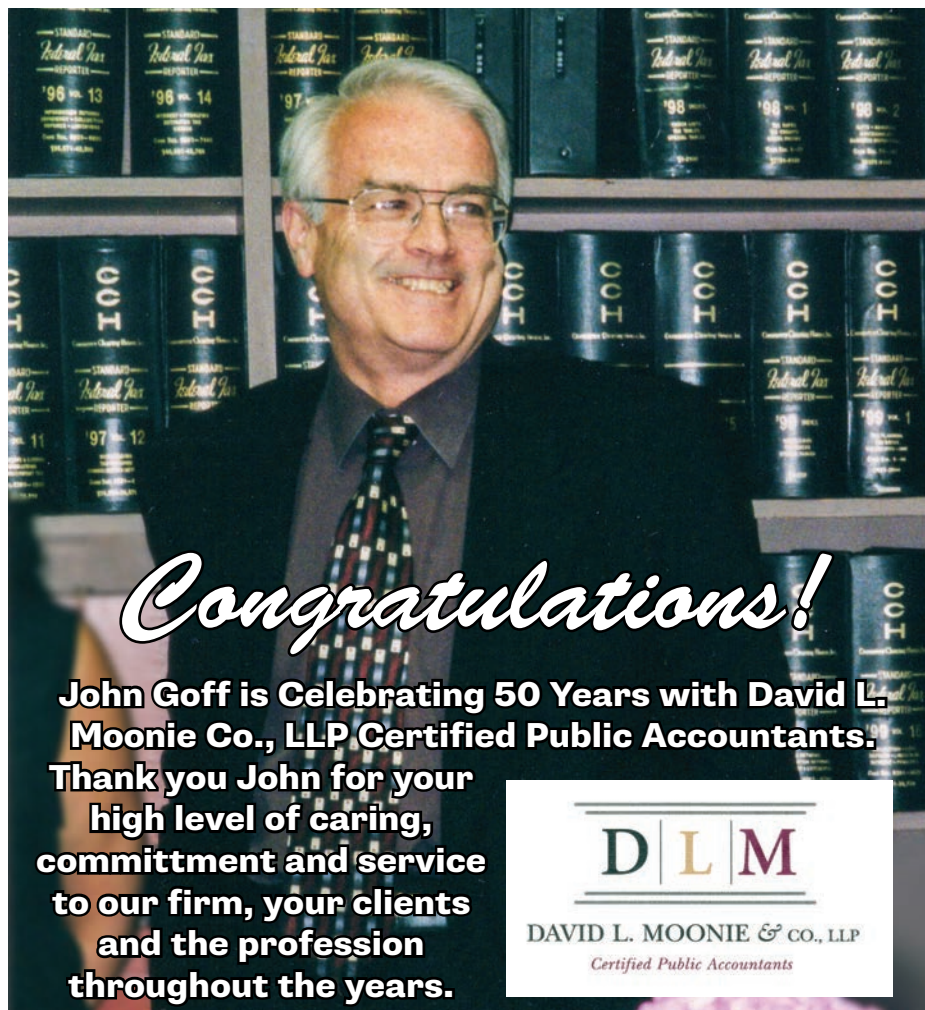
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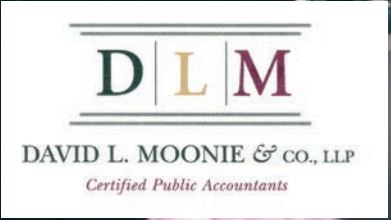
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NCJ NEWS



An artist's rendering of the hotel development.

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'Our Sovereign Right'

With water woes continuing to hamper hotel project, Trinidad Rancheria accuses critics of prejudice, systemic racism

By Thadeus Greenson

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Already escalated tensions spiked sharply south of Trinidad on June 24, when the Trinidad Rancheria accused the city, area residents and Fifth District Supervisor Steve Madrone of racism in their opposition or perceived lack of support for proposed Rancheria developments.

The Rancheria is pushing forward with controversial plans to build a five-story, 100-bed hotel adjacent to Cher-Ae Heights Casino, just south of Trinidad and frustrations have mounted over the city's unwillingness or inability (depending on whom you ask) to enter into a contract to provide water for the development. Earlier this month, the Rancheria approached the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District about the possibility of piping its water to tribal lands, though Rancheria officials maintained the request wasn't for the hotel but for other economic development projects, including a proposed RV park, mini-mart, gas station, cultural center and housing.

But the agenda item drew a slew of pushback from area residents, who submitted dozens of letters opposing the idea, arguing it was inefficient and could lead to sprawling development in the scenic rural, coastal area. In a June 24 letter to the community, Trinidad Rancheria Chair

Garth Sundberg said this latest opposition to the tribe's economic development efforts falls into a centuries-long pattern.

"We find this to be an unsettling déjà-vu," he wrote. "Indian people have experienced this over and over again. It is an overwhelming sense of something that should not be familiar at all — discrimination, prejudice, systemic racism and a lack of social justice. ... We have found that history repeats itself. Indian people have experienced genocide, colonization, loss of home lands and so much more. The white invaders did not want the Indian people to be in their way, they wanted everything for themselves and would kill to take what they wanted."

For his part, Madrone issued a public statement the following day saying he supports "responsible development," adding that he still supports the Rancheria's initial proposal for a "smaller rustic hotel" on the property. But Madrone has also long been critical of the Rancheria's plans to build a four-way freeway interchange off U.S. Highway 101 to access its tribal lands and of its current plans for the hotel development. Madrone has charged the hotel is too big for the surrounding area and shouldn't be built without an adequate, sustainable water supply.

Tensions between the supervisor and

the Rancheria date back at least to Madrone's 2018 run for the Fifth District seat in which he upset two-term incumbent Ryan Sundberg, who is Garth Sundberg's nephew, a Trinidad Rancheria member and general manager of Cher-Ae Heights Casino.

During that supervisorial race, after Madrone won the endorsements of the Yurok and Karuk tribes as well as a split endorsement from the Hoopa Valley Tribe, Garth Sundberg issued a scathing letter to local news outlets accusing Madrone of lying about his work on a variety of projects and mischaracterizing the Rancheria's proposed interchange project. In that same campaign, Ryan Sundberg told the *Lost Coast Outpost* he wished Madrone "was not so racist when comes to a Tribe that did not endorse him." Pressed to explain the statement, Ryan Sundberg told the *Outpost* that he sees the freeway interchange project — proposed in part to make up for impacts to Rancheria land when the current incarnation of that stretch of U.S. 101 was built in the 1960s, leaving 12 acres of the Rancheria's property separated from the rest — as a social justice issue and that "it's a racist comment to say the tribe cannot get to their property."

In Garth Sundberg's most recent letter

to the community, he also stresses that the Rancheria, as a sovereign nation, also views its plans to develop its lands through a social justice lens. Economic development is “very important” to the Rancheria, its members and its right to self-determination.

“The Trinidad Rancheria is a disadvantaged community that is surrounded by a very affluent community,” Garth Sundberg writes. “The surrounding ocean bluffs are highlighted by extravagant homes inside the city of Trinidad, developments outside the city, including homes that range from \$1 million and upwards, as well as the Westhaven community east of the city of Trinidad on Westhaven Drive. Many of these residents have relocated from Southern California and are only here seasonally. Others have been here for 20 to 30 years or more, which is not a long time in an historical context.”

While Garth Sundberg alleges racism lies at the heart of much of the opposition to Rancheria projects, area residents have pointed to a host of other issues. Citizens group Humboldt Alliance for Responsible Planning (HARP) has been vocally opposed to the project, saying it will cause traffic problems in Trinidad and along Scenic Drive, and that the five-story structure will look out of place and harm the scenic nature of the coastal stretch.

But because the tribe is a sovereign government and therefore generally not bound by county and state land use restrictions, those arguments have held little weight. The California Coastal Commission said as much when conditionally approving a federal designation that the project would have limited environmental impacts. The sticking point, however, has been water, which is what the Coastal Commission's approval was conditioned on. (While the tribe's sovereign rights hold that neighboring residents or municipalities can't block its project because of ancillary impacts, they also don't require that said municipalities provide water service to the development.)

The Rancheria had long planned on getting water serviced to the project — somewhere between 9,000 and 18,000 gallons per day, depending on which assessment or figure one uses — from the city of Trinidad. But the city, which draws its water from Luffenholtz Creek, has been noncommittal and is in the midst of a nearly two-year effort to study the capacity of its water supply and develop an official policy for dealing with such requests in the future. The studies seem to indicate that while the creek has a limited surplus of water in good years, it's already at risk of failing to meet demand in drought years.

At the proverbial 11th hour, Rancheria officials told the Coastal Commission a newly drilled well on its property could produce more than 8,000 gallons per day, giving hope that it could provide for the bulk of the project's water needs with the potential to supplement from other sources. But the Rancheria has continued looking to the city for a commitment on supplying additional water. That commitment has not come and tensions continue to rise between the two neighboring governments.

Last month, the Rancheria said it would no longer allow the city access to its properties — including the Trinidad Harbor, which the city needs to access for a wastewater project — until the city entered into a memorandum of understanding that would allow confidential government-to-government discussions about a potential water deal. In the midst of a public uproar and fears of backroom deals, a divided Trinidad City Council voted 3-2 to deny the MOU, at least until the city's planning commission finishes a draft water policy, which pushed the Rancheria to reach out to the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District about the possibility of extending a pipeline from existing infrastructure in McKinleyville to Rancheria lands, an expensive proposition. And then came those dozens of oppositional letters from concerned community members, some orchestrated by HARP.

The water district board directed staff to begin gathering information about the proposal and report back at a future meeting, potentially launching what promises to be a lengthy process of fact-finding, environmental and engineering studies, public input and negotiations between the district and the Rancheria. Less than two weeks after the meeting came Garth Sundberg's letter, which indicated the Rancheria has no intention of further altering its vision to appease community concerns.

“Today our message to the city of Trinidad, HARP, Steve Madrone and others who have made it your mission to stop the Tribe's development is — educate yourselves, understand that your biases, your prejudice and your discrimination is just as bad as what happened over 200 years ago and what is happening in our nation today,” he wrote. “We are committed to our vision and our pathway forward for future generations. It is our sovereign right.”

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With Humboldt County Public Health having confirmed 21 new COVID-19 cases over the past week and statewide case counts increasing by the thousands day after day, county Health Officer Teresa Frankovich began her June 30 media availability not with a reporter’s question but with a warning.

“I’m guessing most people in the county have been watching what’s happening across the country and certainly the state of California,” she began. “There are certainly areas of the state that are experiencing really rapid growth, exponential growth of this virus, which is what we’ve been talking about for quite a long time now, the idea that COVID can circulate in relatively small numbers but, as we bring people out and start to mix them together, that those numbers can increase, and dramatically increase across a community.

“I think there are huge lessons to be learned here,” she continued, adding that she’s concerned people will blame the increase on the reopening of bars, which has caught a lot of public attention because of the governor’s order to shutter them again in some counties. “Bars are certainly

a place of risk. There’s no question about that. But what I think is really important for people to recognize is that it is, in fact, our day-to-day behavior that is putting us at risk. It is people gathering between households. It’s those networks of friends and neighbors ... after a long time of shelter in place, people want to socialize and it starts to feel safe because they look like your neighbors, they’re your friends and it feels safe.

“And I think we just need to accept that it is not safe. The more you mix with other households, the more the virus is going to circulate, and it’s going to compromise our ability to move forward. It’s going to compromise our ability to be able to operate many things we want to do. Schools are really important for us to be able to have up and running in our community — I don’t want that compromised. I want us to be able to keep businesses open but, frankly, we’re going to have to walk things back if it doesn’t change. And another big, important piece of this is masking — it is absolutely essential going forward. It protects other people. It is not meant to protect you specifically but if everyone is wearing them, it will protect you.”

Frankovich then closed her comments

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by intoning that Humboldt County is at a crossroads, its collective future in each of its residents’ hands.

“I just can’t emphasize enough that this is our time of personal responsibility,” she said. “Either we accept that this virus is a

problem and has the potential to make a lot of us very sick, or we ignore it at our own peril.”

— Thadeus Greenson

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Bucked: The Fortuna Rodeo Association announced June 30 that it is canceling the annual event this year, finding that current COVID-19 conditions make it “unrealistic to hold even a drastically pared down event.” A press release thanked the community for its support and promises a “bigger and better” event next year to celebrate the rodeo’s 100th anniversary. POSTED 06.30.20

Fortuna Hires New Chief: The city of Fortuna has hired Anderson Police Sgt. Casey Day to be its next police chief, replacing former Sheriff Mike Downey, who has filled the role on an interim basis since late last year. A former Marine with a master’s degree in criminal justice, Day is best known for outfitting Anderson’s officers with nunchucks in 2017. Read the full story at www.northcoastjournal.com. POSTED 06.30.20

Remains Identified: The Humboldt County Coroner’s Office identified human remains found near Manila on June 18 as those of Ajani S. Wilson, who’d been reported missing May 28 after falling into the ocean in the Elk Head area of Trinity. Teams combed the water for Wilson for two days but were unable to locate the 22 year old. POSTED 06.24.20

Digitally Speaking

83 The number of votes that a recount found to have been counted in error in the Hoopa Valley Tribe’s June 16 election, with the recount swinging the election for a council seat representing the Norton Field District in favor of Arnold “Deacon” Ferris. Officials suspect someone may have “manipulated” the first tally and have referred the matter to law enforcement. POSTED 06.25.20

They Said It

“The sad part is we had to lay off three employees. We’ve been here 40 years and we’ve never had to do that.”
— Marilyn Strehl, commenting on the impact of COVID-19 on her business Strehl’s Family Shoes and Repairs in Fortuna, adding that when it comes to reopening, she’s unsure when the store will bring employees back, saying, “We have to protect them.”
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Comment of the Week

“It’s real folks ...”
— Greta Waldsmith Painter commenting on Facebook about a Journal story reporting Humboldt County Public Health’s having confirmed nine new COVID-19 cases — the most reported in a single day locally in more than two months — on June 24.
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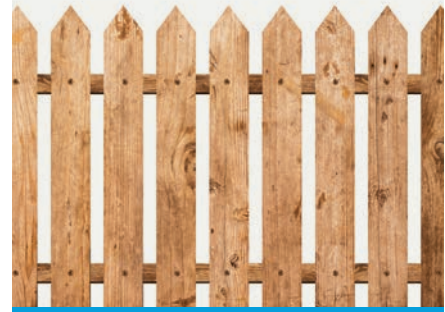
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'Exposed'

My experience with race and racism in Ferndale

By **Adrianne Tait Wohlfeil**

views@northcoastjournal.com

I'm the organizer of the Ferndale "protest" rally, gathering on June 28. There have been multiple threats against me and others who attended circulating social media since it hit the news. My inbox exploded with messages and screen-shots all week long. It broke my heart. Everyone deserves to feel safe. There were children present and it was still a peaceful, empowering event.

The event's description was, "Today we honor the Black Lives Matter movement and celebrate Pride Month. We want to be inclusive to ALL attending. All attendees and guests must wear a mask and maintain a 6 foot distance. We will have markers in the grass and gravel. This event is permitted by the Ferndale police. The founder is Adrianne Tait Wohlfeil, Ferndale High School class of 2011. Please come prepared with your speeches and join us at the Ferndale Town City Hall on Sunday, June 28, 3 to 5 p.m."

I've been asked to share my speech:

"Good evening everyone and happy Sunday! What a sunny, beautiful day. My name is Adrianne Tait Wohlfeil. I'm the founder of today's event, Ferndale's Peaceful Demonstration Against Discrimination.

First, I wanted to thank you all for being here and showing your support today. This movement is a historic one in our struggle for equality and basic human rights. I thank you for choosing to be a big part of it. We are only here to unite and have a peaceful, educational and supportive gathering. I created this platform for our community to have a chance to speak freely, safely and to incite a positive change to end discrimination all over Humboldt County.

I will be addressing the unfortunate stigma and press associated with Ferndale, and also talk about my own experience. A part of justice and peace isn't staying silent by ignoring the issues, or by looking away while others are hurting. It's important to both speak on and acknowledge these hard topics to prevent them ever from happening again.

To reflect on a few Ferndale incidents: The controversy of students bringing the Confederate flag to school; racial slurs screamed at innocent Native and Black children during sports events; a gay

student being threatened with a knife at school; the community's blackface performance and minstrel show.

These incidents, like any type of prejudice, first start out small. But it only gets worse if no real consequences come and if friends and family excuse or defend their behavior. It has a ripple effect. Then it becomes a reputation for the town and minorities get blamed. Parents had to drive their children into different towns and schools just so they could be safe. I've even seen adults of color who move in, but eventually get driven off from staying here long term. It starts with us.

The reason why I organized and feel so strongly about this event is because I believe Ferndale has one of the greatest communities and education systems in all of Humboldt County. I've seen how they've developed incredible students to get into prestigious schools and continue to be physicians, lawyers, engineers. But if a child's learning environment fosters any type of discrimination, it will stay with them as adults and harm other people.

I'll never understand the logic behind hate. I do understand the frustration I felt with my experiences, but never enough to validate hating someone. I moved to Ferndale in 2008. I was 16 and lived here for eight years. I'd walk 10 miles from my home on weekends to support the school. I still consider myself a proud Wildcat. It's a third of my life and I'm glad I got to experience it.

My first day at Ferndale High School, a classmate told me I was 'brave' for being here. I was completely clueless. Throughout my two years of school, I was called an ugly freak. They would make fun of my hair. Whenever I'd walk around town or into stores they would call me a boy. I believed all of the negative things they would say about me and I'd come home and rub bleach on my skin. Our principal at the time said he was sorry I was having such a hard time and he couldn't understand why since I was a nice girl. After graduating, I developed agoraphobia. I was so terrified of being bullied again, I couldn't leave my room for two years. Every day I dream about being a mom and having a baby, but I don't think I can do it. I'm too full of fear and anxiety that my

own child will suffer like I and other minorities continue to do in schools at work and everyday around the world.

We can mutually agree that these incidents do not speak for or represent all the wonderful people of Ferndale, nor is it a Ferndale-only issue.

Everything said is in the past and forgiven. This is why I tried to involve all schools, all city councils and all of Humboldt today. We can agree not all cops are violent and racist. Some honor the words 'to protect and serve.' We can agree not all protesters are rioters and looters. We can mutually agree that all types of discrimination, big or small, are deadly and have to end. We can do our part by simply standing up for other people.

I want to stress to the few who still need to hear it that it's never too late to change. I was skeptical about any change happening until this very movement spread across the world. Then I saw the changes in people firsthand. The modern lynching of George Floyd had scared people with prior prejudice. They know if they don't stop now or change their ways, they will turn out to be the very same person as his killer. They turned to say, 'I'm sorry I was so ignorant, my parents were wrong, I was wrong, and I refuse to pass any hate onto my children.'

George Floyd exposed our true characters and what our basic morals are. We've seen our family and friends either excuse or cause unjustified violence. In the heat of it all, the news media told you to pick a side, him (the police) or me (a Black person), but that's not true. Don't fall for it. Please put down your Blue Lives banner. Don't let them divide us. Don't let them win and spread further hate. Further fear. Realize we have more in common than not. At the end of the day, we are all proud Americans in the pursuit of happiness.

Let us now celebrate the success of the movement, let's praise the voices who are no longer beaten into silence, of you standing up for justice, for always choosing what's right, and being good human beings — we need more of them in the world. You all made a difference. Not just today but every day. I thank you."

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'The Biggest Challenge'

California's 2020 all-mail election, explained

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How do you hold an election during a global pandemic? Without knowing it, California voters have been practicing for years.

Since the 1920s — and before that, with a brief foray during the Civil War — a growing share of the statewide electorate has been voting remotely. Now that the coronavirus pandemic has turned public assembly, waiting in line, exchanging envelopes and all the other trappings of Election Day into a latent superspreader event, Democratic lawmakers are looking for another way: the mailbox.

If all goes as planned, every registered, regular voter in the state can expect to get a ballot in the mail before the November 2020 election — whether they ask for one or not.

Easier said than done.

Many Republicans, President Donald Trump most vocal among them, say more remote voting will favor Democrats and serve as a Trojan Horse for fraudsters. There isn't much evidence to back up either claim — more on that below. But it's turned the logistically complicated question of how to hold an election during a public health crisis into an even more complicated, politically charged one.

Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom faces lawsuits over his executive orders to reshape the coming elections, as the Legislature works to iron out the details. Voting rights groups want to ensure that some in-person voting options remain, but county election regulators say they're short on time as they scramble to find enough poll workers and socially distance-able event spaces to hold this very different kind of election.

Can the state pull it off? Santa Barbara County registrar Joe Holland, president of the organization representing election officials in California, pauses before answering:

"I better hope it is. This is the biggest challenge of my career."

How exactly will the November 2020 election be different?

"The health concerns of forcing people into in-person voting during a pandemic are all too real," said Silicon Valley Democratic Assemblyman Marc Berman.

That's why Democratic lawmakers, the governor and even some Republicans in Sacramento want to make sure that every registered and active voter automatically gets a ballot in the mail before November 3 — no signing up required.

It's a two-part plan:

1) County election officials must send a ballot to every registered and active voter in the state.

A new law authored by Berman lets counties get a jump-start processing early votes, and instructs them to count ballots they receive up to 17 days after the polls close — as long they are put in the mail on Election Day.

2) For those who need in-person assistance; didn't get their ballot as planned; don't have a fixed address; or who need to replace a ballot that's been torn, lost, pet-chewed or food-splattered, counties still need in-person voting options.

Newsom has penned an executive order to that effect. It's been challenged in court, but the Legislature is considering legislation that would do the same thing.

"One way or another," said Orange County Sen. Tom Umberg, "we're going to have a different kind of election in the fall."

Won't it take longer to know who won?

Probably. California is famously slow at tallying ballots — though election administrators might prefer "famously careful." The rules that make it easy for Californians to vote from home, register to vote or change party affiliation on Election Day mean that county officials regularly have to spend weeks after the polls close checking signatures and processing registration applications.

In both 2016 and 2018, it took the state nearly 30 days to count every last ballot.

With the number of mail-in ballots expected to increase by upwards of 35 percent this year, the count could slow even further. And given that Republicans appear less enthusiastic about remote voting — more on that below — experts such as University of California at Irvine election law professor Rick Hasen

worry that an inordinate number of race outcomes will shift from the GOP to the Democrats as late absentee ballots are counted, providing a windfall for conspiracy theorists.



A new state law is giving counties a small work-around: Registrar offices can begin processing ballots as soon as they arrive — but still no counting until the polls close.

How many in-person voting options will counties have?

Under the pending legislation and Newsom's executive order counties can choose as they plan the November election:

Option A: Hold in-person voting just as they did during the March primary. For most counties, that's roughly one polling place per 1,500 voters.

Option B: Pare down the number of in-person voting locations to one per 10,000 voters — but keep them open for four days leading up to Election Day to allow spaced-out early voting. These counties would also have to deploy a certain number of ballot drop boxes, opening them up by early October.

In the March primary, 15 counties had at least 100 precinct locations. San Diego County had 1,361. That's a lot of venues to rent out, particularly if the pandemic takes senior homes and schools off the table.

Lawmakers may allow counties to rent out businesses focused on selling alcohol. So Joe Holland, Santa Barbara County's registrar, is asking hotels if the county can use their ballrooms. In San Luis Obispo County, registrar Tommy Gong hopes to rent a vacant airport terminal. Another concern: A typical poll worker is a retiree — a member of a high-risk group for COVID-19.

All of those logistical obstacles are pushing medium-to-large counties toward Option B. Which has its own complications.

Locations will need to be larger, narrowing the list of possible venues. If the centers will be open to any registered voter in the county, regardless of where they live, they will have to be able to print ballots on demand — meaning more sophisticated equipment and tech-savvy poll workers. Three days of early voting will mean three times the staffing demand.

And with either option, hosting an election in the COVID era will require rigging up each location with cough and spittle guards; spacing out equipment; and stocking up on cratefuls of masks, gloves and hand sanitizer.

Don't some counties already do this?

If you live in one of 18 California counties where voters already get a ballot in the mail, this should all sound pretty familiar.

In 2016, California passed the "Voter's Choice Act" permitting counties to send a ballot to every voter while keeping a reduced number of in-person voting options available for those who need them.

Three sparsely populated counties — Alpine, Sierra and Plumas — have deemed in-person voting impractical and got dispensation from the state not to operate physical polling places at all.

Under the Democratic plans, all counties may adopt something similar to the Voter's Choice model. One major difference: The new system would require the centers to open the Saturday before Election Day, rather than 10 days before.

How long have Californians been voting by mail?

In 1863, Gov. Leland Stanford, an ally of President Lincoln, signed a law giving soldiers stationed in battlefields the right to vote remotely in California's elections. Like virtually every expansion of the franchise before or since, the new law was immediately the subject of partisan bickering, litigation and racist invective.

California Democrats who believed — accurately, it would turn out — that soldiers would favor their Republican commander in chief in the upcoming presidential election labeled the bill an act of partisan war. An article in the pro-Confederate Los Angeles Star warned that officers would order soldiers to vote for Lincoln, taking the county one more step "towards military despotism." And

the state Supreme Court ruled against the expansion, saying if the Legislature could authorize battlefield voting, what would stop them from acting as if “all colors should be considered, taken and held to be white”?

It wasn't until 1922 that voters narrowly approved Proposition 22, giving the Legislature the right to legalize absentee voting, which it did the following year. But mail-in voters needed a good excuse: “occupation requiring travel or federal or state military or naval service.”

That list of permissible excuses grew until 1978, when California became the first state to allow any registered voter to vote remotely — no excuse required. Since then, the popularity of mail voting has swelled.

California has company: How other states vote by mail

For a preview of what California's mostly all-mail November 2020 election might look like, consider that bastion of electoral radicalism that lies to our east, Utah — where by 2018 every registered Utahn received a mail ballot at home. Utah is a notable reminder that vote-by-mail systems — the president's recent protests and misstatements notwithstanding — are not solely popular with liberals and Democrats.

Already California, like Nebraska and North Dakota, allow counties to hold all-mail elections with in-person options if they like.

Oregon and Washington also hold all-mail elections — and they really mean “all-mail.” With the exception of county courthouses, they offer few in-person options.

In the 2018 general election, nearly a quarter of Americans cast ballots remotely. And in the COVID-19-tinged reality of 2020, we are likely to see a dramatic surge in absentee and mail ballots. In Nevada's recent June primary, for example, 98% of ballots were cast by mail.

How common is vote-by-mail fraud?

It isn't.

It's not that vote-by-mail ballots have never been used to distort the outcome of an election. Most supporters of vote-by-mail will acknowledge that once a ballot leaves the relative security of a polling station, it is in fact more vulnerable to misuse than those that are cast the old fashioned way.

But in either case, misuse and abuse seem to be really rare.

“On a scale of one to 100, it's a five, as opposed to a one,” said Justin Levitt, a constitutional law professor at Loyola Marymount University. “It's slightly more problematic in that there is slightly more room for potential abuse. But that should not be confused with, ‘It's problematic.’”

Take the example of Angel Perales, the city manager of Cudahy in Los Angeles County who pleaded guilty to filtering out incoming absentee ballots that favored non-incumbents during the city's 2007 municipal election. In the conservative Heritage Foundation's “Election Fraud” database, it is the only documented instance of California absentee vote fraud in four decades.

Nationwide, the database includes 206 cases of mail-in ballot fraud out of 1,285 verified cases of improper voting of any kind. The Heritage Foundation describes its database as a sampling. But more thorough analyses have produced similarly low numbers. On the high end, a Washington Post analysis found one “potentially fraudulent ballot” for every 40,000 ballots cast.

FEC Commissioner Ellen Weintraub made the case on Twitter:

A report by voting rights researchers



Ellen L. Weintraub @EllenL... · May 29
My 66-tweet storm on the facts of #VoteByMail ran the risk of breaking @Twitter on Wednesday night – but hey, voting's important.

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at University of California at Los Angeles and the University of New Mexico, noted that “clerical or typographical errors, poor signature matching, voter mistakes, and jumping to unwarranted conclusions with a limited amount of information account for most voter fraud allegations.”

“The more common type of election fraud is one-off stupidity,” said Levitt. But he also stressed that “more common” does not mean “common.”

“I mean, Halley's comet versus a legitimate UFO.”

Note: On its 76-year elliptical circuit around the solar system, Halley's comet only spends 60 days or so as a notable presence in the night sky. That works out to one month out of 456 — uncommon, but still orders of magnitude more common than voter fraud.

How secure are mail-in ballots?

Part 1: Counterfeit ballots

Both the president and his attorney general, William Barr, have warned that foreign governments might get in the ballot printing game. These hostile powers could, in Barr's telling, “easily make counterfeit ballots, put names on them, send them in.”

Barr himself has admitted there's no evidence malicious actors are actually planning this. Election experts say they would have an exceedingly tough time if they tried.

California counties contract with a small handful of certified ballot printers. Each printer is required to use special paper and emboss each ballot envelope with anti-counterfeit graphics. The envelope gets its own U.S. Postal Service-certified identification marking, a color scheme and encrypted design specific to the county.

Each ballot envelope also gets a voter-specific barcode to be scanned by a county election official before it's opened. When a ballot is checked, the voter's signature on the back has to match the one stored in the county's database. (A recent law requires county officials to contact a prospective voter about an iffy signature match before tossing out their vote entirely.) Starting this year, anxious voters can track their ballots online from their mailbox to their county election office.

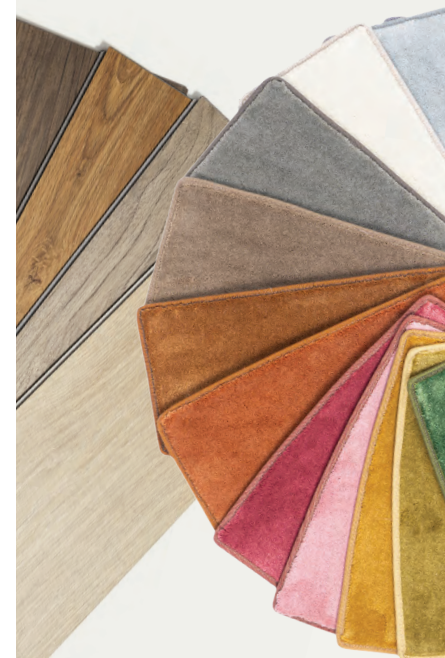
With all those safeguards in place, said Brad Stiers, president of Pro-VoteSolutions, which prints the ballots for 21 counties in California, it would be very hard for anyone to mock up a single successful counterfeit, let alone the hundreds or thousands required to swing an election.

“Every ballot is like a dollar bill,” he said. “You would somehow have to steal the design and get that specific ballot image with the right precinct information for a particular voter and then forge their signature and get it back into the mail stream.” And that's before it even reaches a county office, where they will check for duplicates and fakes.

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Levitt of Loyola Marymount called the president's theory "coocoo bananas... (it's) the plotline to a poorly-researched middle school creative writing essay."

How secure are mail-in ballots?

Part 2: “Bloated voter rolls”

Every county maintains a list of registered voters, called a voter roll. Under federal law, counties are supposed to keep those lists up-to-date, removing duplicates, correcting errors and nixing names when a person dies or moves, or after official mail to that address is returned as undeliverable.

But some counties have failed to keep up.

Last December, Los Angeles County was required to remove 1.5 million inactive voters from its roll as part of a legal settlement with the conservative legal nonprofit Judicial Watch.

State election regulators advise counties to maintain separate “inactive voter” lists, so that if someone who hasn’t voted in many years unexpectedly shows up on Election Day, they can be given a provisional ballot that will be checked later. Because the inactive list might

include people who have moved out of the country, adding together a county's active and inactive lists can sometimes produce numbers in excess of the number of residents, according to Census data. Judicial Watch has said this enables double-voting.

Election authorities respond that inactive voter lists simply serve as a rarely used “fail-safe.” They also argue that registered voter lists, which include active service members, people who are traveling abroad and those who might temporarily live elsewhere, aren’t directly comparable to census estimates. “Bad math,” is how Democratic Secretary of State Alex Padilla put it.

Election experts also say even if a ballot ends up at the wrong address, barcodes and signature-matching requirements should ensure that only registered voters are allowed to vote. That premise was put to the test earlier this year when more than 2,600 voters in San Luis Obispo County mistakenly received duplicate ballots before the March primary election. Any duplicates sent in were set aside, according to Gong, the county's top election official.

Rick Hasen of U.C. Irvine said via email there's a trade-off between accuracy and access. Earlier this year "we saw a number of states holding primaries that failed to get all absentee ballots to voters who requested them in time to vote," he said. "Sending ballots to voters who did not request them is more defensible in a pandemic, even though I don't like the idea generally."

How secure are mail-in ballots?

Part 3: “Ballot harvesting”

In 2019, a North Carolina GOP operative was caught gathering ballots and filtering out the ones that didn't help his client before sending them in. He was arrested and charged, state regulators called for an electoral re-do and the political world received a crash course in third party ballot collection — also known derisively

How California counties vote



Source: California Secretary of State
Graphic by CalMatters

as “ballot harvesting.”

That practice is illegal in North Carolina, but not in California. A 2017 law gave anyone the right to gather up and return the absentee ballots of registered voters, so long as they’ve been designated to do so by the voter and they aren’t receiving a per-ballot fee.

“You have people who live on reservations who may not have convenient access to a post office. You have people living in nursing homes who may not have that access and just want to give their ballot to someone they trust,” said Kim Alexander, president of the nonprofit California Voter Foundation.

Republicans in California have oscillated between condemning “ballot harvesting” as a Democratic dirty trick and trying to get in on the action.

But with COVID-19, most of the state’s GOP seem to have swung back to their initial position. In its lawsuit challenging one of Newsom’s executive orders, the California Republican Party painted the governor as a hypocrite for refusing to ban the human interaction of ballot harvesting amid a pandemic.

Are people more likely to vote if they can vote from home?

It’s an intuitive concept: People are more likely to engage in an activity if they can do it while eating ice cream on the couch.

Studies have found that the introduction of vote-by-mail does seem to boost turnout, with estimates ranging from 2 to 10 percent.

So who exactly is turning out? As with any rigorously researched issue, disagreement abounds.

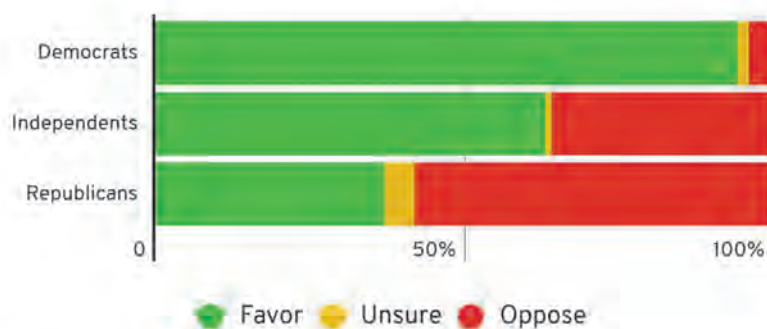
In Oregon, the first state to go entirely vote-by-mail, the new rules led to a modest increase in turnout, but not because new voters were entering the electoral fold. Instead, a number of studies found that voting by mail turned semi-regular voters into regular voters. Once ballots started showing up unprompted, Oregonians with a prior pattern of voting were more likely to keep up the habit.

But there may be a broader impact. A study led by Stanford University professor Adam Bonica estimated that Colorado’s recent switch to a vote-by-mail system boosted overall turnout by more than 9 percent, with the biggest increases among the demographic groups least likely to vote. He and his fellow researchers found a 10 percent increase among voters without a high school diploma and a nearly 17 percent surge among voters under the age of 30.

Three studies of Utah, Colorado and

A ballot in every mailbox? Californians are split by party.

“Governor Newsom directed each county’s elections officials to send vote-by-mail ballots for the November 3, 2020 General Election to all registered voters. Do you think this is a good idea or a bad idea?”



Source: Public Policy Institute of California survey of likely voters, May 17-26, 2020.

Graphic by CalMatters

Washington found similar findings: overall turnout boosts of 7 percent, 3 percent and 2 percent, with notably higher increases among people without a history of voting.

Does voting by mail help one party over another?

You wouldn’t know it from the way the president often talks about all-mail voting, but a consensus has emerged among political scientists who study this question: More voting by mail doesn’t predictably help one party over another.

While vote-by-mail makes it easier for young, lower-income voters to get their vote in, which often helps Democrats, it also makes it easier for reliably right-leaning older voters to cast a ballot as well. “These conflicting factors appear to cancel each other out, dampening any partisan advantage,” wrote Lee Drutman, a fellow at the center-left think tank New America, in FiveThirtyEight.

Another datapoint: In mid-May, California held two all-mail test-runs, for an empty congressional seat in Santa Clarita and a state Senate vacancy in Riverside. Both districts have more registered Democrats than Republicans, but in both races, the Republican candidate won overwhelmingly.

With the president’s recent denunciations of California’s all-mail election, it’s possible that the way you cast your ballot

— like the stores and restaurants you frequent, the church you do or don’t attend, and your decision to put on a mask amid a pandemic — will become yet another telltale partisan marker.

In the recent Wisconsin presidential primary, Democrats attributed their blowout victory to voting by mail — not because mailing in ballots inherently helps liberals, but thanks to their party’s warmer embrace of the new election procedure. In neighboring Michigan, supporters of the president burned their absentee ballot notification cards in protest earlier this month.

In May, the pollsters at the Public Policy Institute of California asked voters if they support the idea of sending ballots to every registered Californian. Overall, it was wildly popular, with 73 percent approving.

But that masked a deep partisan chasm. Among Democrats, the question elicited “Do you like puppies?” levels of support, with 94 percent approving. But despite the state’s long history of voting from home, only 37 percent of Republicans agreed. ●

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Restaurant Mask Drama

Servers bear the brunt of mask resentment

By Jennifer Fumiko Cahill

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Manuel Martinez was only 20 minutes into his shift bussing tables at Golden Harvest last weekend when he spotted a customer walking in without a mask. When Martinez asked if he had one, the man turned hostile.

“He said, ‘Fuck you guys,’ and just turned around and left,” says Martinez. In 16 years of restaurant work in Humboldt, he says people getting angry at the house rules is a new part of a job he otherwise enjoys. “I’m just getting used to it at this point.”

Restaurants with plans approved by the county have been allowed to open for dine-in service since May 29, so long as they adhere to social distancing and sanitization guidelines, including masks for staff. While guests are allowed to remove their masks at their tables to eat and drink, they’re required to wear facial coverings upon entrance, while waiting for seating and when moving around the restaurant. The regulations are clear and bolstered by Gov. Gavin Newsom’s June 18 statewide order requiring facial coverings. But there are still restaurant patrons who balk at the inconvenience, some of whom unload their frustrations on staff who are already shouldering the stress of added protocols and health concerns.

When Golden Harvest opened up for dine-in service, Martinez says he hesitated but ultimately came back because he didn’t want to leave his coworkers hanging. Once he jumped back in and got a handle on the protocols — including sanitizing, offering masks to those without them and taking temperatures at the door — he felt better about the risks, even if the added work leaves him more exhausted than usual at the end of a shift. “I consider myself healthy so I wasn’t too concerned about getting the virus myself, but it’s a little concern dealing with some customers.”

Most folks who come in, he says, understand the safety measures and even those who huff a little generally keep their manners. “But there’s some customers,” one or two a day, he says, “that don’t

understand the mask thing and complain about how are they gonna eat. And we explain it to them but some people just get mad about it.” He recalls another customer on Wednesday who wanted to enter with his shirt pulled up over his mouth but reluctantly retrieved a mask from his car. When he grumbled during the temperature check, another customer tried to explain that the measures are to keep everyone safe, which led to an argument. “It got bad,” says Martinez. “It was kinda ugly but it stopped.”

Tina Carver has worked the front of the house at Brick and Fire for more than five years but has been serving tables more than half her life. As much as she loves the work and the regulars who have “kept us afloat,” she had strong concerns about serving dine-in customers. She explains, “I have an immunosuppressed child at home” whose condition and related medications make him vulnerable enough that even before the pandemic, when she or her husband returned from a trip outside, they’d immediately strip down, bag their clothing and take “a Silkwood shower.” When someone in her household catches a cold, they use a designated sick room, gloves and masks to protect her son. “COVID,” she says, “will kill him.”

But Carver also needs a paycheck. “I can’t say, ‘Hey, sorry! Hire me again when the pandemic’s over.’ I take precautions. I put on a mask, I glove up and I get it done.”

Regulars are dutifully wearing masks but Carver says out-of-towners, often drawn by high Yelp rankings and *Diners, Drive-ins and Dives* fame, are the ones causing drama and complaining they don’t have to wear masks where they’re from. “It’s maybe twice a week I get told to fuck off and then they just walk away.” While it’s stressful, she says a career in the service industry prepares you for anything and backup from her coworkers is a comfort. Besides, she says, “I’m a Jersey girl — nobody scares me.”

They do frustrate her, though. “I don’t understand why it’s such a big oppression. People want so badly to be oppressed —



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as if putting a piece of cloth over your face is tantamount to joining the Taliban. ... There’s a lot of Karens out there.”

Thirty-year restaurant veteran Maryann Ruchte says at 68, she knows she’s higher risk for COVID-19 but she loves her job and missed her work family at the Alibi. In the two weeks the restaurant and bar has been open since shutting down in March, visitors have been her main concern, too. Sometimes she hears they’re visiting and thinks, “OK, so you just came from a hot-spot area to our little not-such-a-hot-spot. ... I feel comfortable serving my own community — not so much people from Los Angeles.”

But she’s glad, especially hearing about violence in other cities, that her day shifts have only seen one mask-less man yelling at the staff on his way out. Like at Brick and Fire, her regulars are following the safety measures, grateful to have the place open and to get a taste of normalcy. And even the majority of out-of-towners — even the ones who gripe that the whole pandemic is a hoax — either put on masks or leave. Still, the thought of the usual wave of travelers fleeing the heat of Redding this summer gives her pause.

At Fiesta Grill and Cantina, Esteban Luna, who manages his family’s restaurant with his sister Monica, there are signs about wearing masks on the doors, a sanitizing station inside and a plastic barrier at the front desk. And while the majority of customers mind the signs, Luna says a few are either not seeing or willfully ignoring them. Often they jokingly ask how they’re supposed to eat with a mask. “Usually, they try belittling one of the servers by

saying that,” he says.

That many of those opposed to masking seem to be taking cues from our president and making a political statement feels unnecessary to Luna. “We’re just trying to keep our business and keep our employees and ourselves safe. ... It kind of wears you down to have these little battles every day.” Luna says he feels it’s childish and that people who take the masking rules personally don’t understand the risk of ignoring them. Health concerns aside, “If someone were to get sick at our business, we would have to live with the stigma ... we would be seen as a place where we’re not cleaning or taking our protocols seriously.” The financial fallout from lost business, as well as shutting down, could be catastrophic at an already difficult time.

“What the general public doesn’t necessarily understand is that, yeah, there may be a lower chance of getting infected [in Humboldt] but our staff meets 100 people per day,” says Luna.

The lack of consideration looks to Carver like a new strain of the entitlement she’s seen throughout her food service career. To some, she says, “We’re servants, we’re beneath people.”

“This whole pandemic has brought out major issues of classism,” she says. “You can’t live without us but you don’t treat us like people.” ●

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Trinity River Rafting inserted bubbles into its photographs to emphasize the ability of rafters to social distance.

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Rough Waters

Rafting businesses navigate social distancing

By Ashley Harrell

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The water level on the Trinity River is just right and the hot summer weather is ideal. But a month after local white-water rafting businesses received approval to reopen from county and U.S. Forest Service officials, company owners say that reservation numbers are still modest. School and church groups have all canceled and the absence of international travelers has also been challenging, the owners say. But California families are picking up some of the slack.

"After being under quarantine was so hard, people are saying, 'We want to get outside and see the world,'" said Six Rivers Rafting owner Shandy Otto. "It's such a great way for families to bond."

On Sunday, one such family of five from Southern California (who asked to remain nameless) embarked on a trip down the Pidgeon Point run with Trinity River Rafting. The family is traveling around the state in a rented RV, the mother said, which was difficult to come by. Setting out on the river, though, the whole family was smiling.

Upon reopening for Memorial Day weekend, area rafting companies all instituted safety measures: Masks are required while traveling in shuttles, which are disinfected in between groups; items like canteens or dry pouches for phones are no longer provided; hand sanitizer is abundant. Most importantly, groups are

not being asked to mix with other groups. Instead, folks are riding the river within their own "social bubbles," made up of friends and family members.

To emphasize this point to the public, Trinity River Rafting co-owner Dana Steinhäuser even hired a designer to Photoshop bubbles around rafts in company photographs. "At lunch we have separate spots, separate tables," Steinhäuser said. "It's a totally separate trip for each family."

In a 13-foot raft, it's possible for the rafting guide, who steers in the back, to remain 6 feet from guests. But if an individual falls out or needs rescue — as this reporter did at the pinball rapid — coming into closer proximity may be necessary. Those concerned about this are better off renting inflatable kayaks or paddleboards, and floating calmer stretches of the river around Willow Creek and Big Bar. Over at Bigfoot Rafting Co., owner Brianna Carreira estimates that she's seeing about 30 percent less business than she did at this time last year. But that's actually exceeded her expectations. "Some people are shocked when I answer the phone," Carreira said. "I didn't think I'd have a season but weekends are starting to pick up." ●

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With COVID storming the country, there are no large Fourth of July gatherings like in years past. But Fortuna's not letting all that get it down. Instead the town's aiming for the stars with a socially-distant, but just as patriotic, **Fortuna Fireworks** show on **Friday, July 3 at 10 p.m.** That's right — fireworks are still on, launched from an undisclosed location to discourage a large gathering, but visible high in the sky. Wave your flags and watch from your homes or cars.



Photo by Mark Larson

Friends of the Dunes has come up with a great alternative to its Sand Sculpture: the **Dispersed Sand Sculpture Festival** throughout the month of **July**. The idea is to get folks out onto Humboldt's open beaches in teams of folks already sheltering together to create sculptures that will be voted on virtually. Post and tag on social media so others can admire them in person before the tides wash them away. Find out more about the fun (and prizes!) at www.friendsofthedunes.org/sandsculpturefestival.



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A century ago, sisters did it for themselves. The 100-year celebration of the passage of the 19th Amendment, allowing women the right to vote, is coming up in August. In honor of that, **KEET-TV and the League of Women Voters of Humboldt County** present a screening of *The Vote* by *American Experience*, hosted by the *Journal's* Linda Stansberry with guests Sofia Pereria, Alex Service and Carolyn Crnich. The panel will discuss issues presented in the short film *Race vs. Sex: The Beginning of the Struggle* via OVEE.itvs.org on **Thursday, July 2 at 7 p.m.** Go to www.KEET.org to register.

BULLETIN BOARD

The Ink People Center for the Arts DreamMaker Project invites local seniors 65 and older to participate in an online version of Art for the Young at Heart, an art class and peer support group. Weekly 90-minute sessions run from mid-July through mid-November (free). Participants will need to purchase their own art supplies. Email maureen@telebehavioralhealth.us.

The city of Arcata is offering free delivery of \$25 backyard compost bins. Email eservices@cityofarcata.org or call 822-8184. Proof of residency within Arcata city limits is required. Free oil recycling drain pans for Arcata residents can be picked up from City Hall 11 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information on zero waste practices, visit www.cityofarcata.org.

The Humboldt County Library is offering curbside pickup at all locations throughout the county. Patrons can place up to four items on hold at a time, either through the library's website at www.humlib.org or by calling any library branch. When your items are ready, you will be notified by mail, email or phone. Check the drop box schedule at your local library for returns. Overdue fines are temporarily waived. Create an e-account at www.humlib.org with just your name, zip code and an email address for access to e-books, audio books, magazines and databases without a card, even while the library is closed. Click "Connect with a Librarian or Get an e-Account" or call 269-1915 Tuesdays through Saturdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Or use your library card on the site, even if carrying a bill. Wi-Fi is also available outside all library locations Tuesdays through Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Please observe social distancing while using library Wi-Fi.

The Arcata School District announces its first Summer Meals Program, running through Aug. 24 at Arcata Elementary School, Sunny Brae Middle School and five community sites. All children 18 and under are welcome to these free meals and people 21 and under who are disabled may also participate. Meals will be offered weekdays, with breakfast and lunch served in one bag. The main serving site will be Arcata Elementary (noon to 1 p.m.), augmented by the following mobile sites: 2575 Alliance Road (11-11:20 a.m.), Sunny Brae Middle School (11:30-11:50 a.m.), Rotary Park (noon-12:10 p.m.), Greenview Park (12:25-12:35 p.m.), Manila Market (12:45-1:05 p.m.) and Phillips Court in Manila (1:10-1:15 p.m.). The schedule is subject to change. Call 839-5219 with any questions.

The City of Eureka is reaching out to the community for photos and memories of Sequoia Park and its playground or the Sequoia Park Zoo in an effort to support the Sequoia Park Improvement Project. Submissions can be sent by email to sequoiapark-memories@ci.eureka.ca.gov or uploaded to www.sequoiaparkmemories.com or mailed to Sequoia Park Memories, c/o Adorni Community Center, 1011 Waterfront Drive, Eureka, CA 95501.

Dell'Arte Humboldt Scholarship. Dell'Arte International School of Physical Theatre announces a one-time-only scholarship for Humboldt County residents for its one-year cornerstone Professional Training Program. www.dellarte.com. matt@dellarte.com.

Friends of the Redwood Library invite children to draw a picture or character from a favorite book for its annual Children's Art Calendar. Fill out the application at www.eurekafrl.org and enter up to three pictures by sending photos of the drawing(s) to frlcalendar@gmail.com or P.O. Box 188 Eureka, CA 95502. All who

enter get a gift certificate to the Serendipity Book Store upstairs in the Eureka Main Library.

KEET is accepting short quarantine videos. Shoot a one-minute clip on your phone or tablet about how you're spending your downtime during shelter in place, as well as whatever silver linings you've discovered. Send video files to production@keet-tv.org. These short videos will be used on KEET-HD and may be edited for length.

Quarantine Café seeks submissions. Share your gifts with the daily half-hour program featuring performances and interviews with musical acts from around the world. For submission guidelines, go to www.facebook.com/quarantinecafe. New episodes air weekdays at 3 p.m. The entire backlog of episodes is available on Facebook and soon YouTube. Email quarantinecafe2020@gmail.com.

The Humboldt County Animal Shelter will be closed to the public until the shelter-in-place order is lifted, though staff will still be feeding and caring for the animals, as well as taking calls Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Adoptions can be made by appointment. If your pet is impounded at the shelter, call 840-9132 to make pick-up arrangements. If you leave a message, your call will be returned.

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The city of Eureka is accepting donated face coverings. Homemade cloth masks, no-sew masks, bandanas and elastic hair ties will be sanitized and distributed to St. Vincent de Paul, the Eureka Rescue Mission and the Betty Kwan Chinn Day Center. Wear a face covering to the donation box outside the main entrance of Eureka City Hall at 531 K St. weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

Area 1 Agency on Aging Partners and the Friendship Line offer support to seniors. Older adults can call the toll-free "warm line" (1-888-670-1360) for a friendly listening ear and emotional support for those facing loneliness, isolation or anxiety, including concerns about COVID-19. Both the new number and the 24-hour, toll-free Friendship Line (1-800-971-0016) will take inbound calls, as well as offer pre-scheduled outbound call service.

Redwood Community Action Agency is offering help with energy bills — home heating bill or the purchase of propane, firewood, pellets or kerosene — for low to moderate income households. Call 444-3831, extension 202, to see if you qualify. To learn more about RCAA's programs and services, visit www.rcaa.org or call 445-0881.

CalFresh EBT cards can be used for online and home delivery shopping at Amazon and Walmart. Visit www.getcalfresh.org to apply or call (877) 847-3663 to be connected to your local county social service office.

Humboldt County free school meals are available. For a complete list of all district meal times and distribution locations, visit the Humboldt County Office of Education's website: www.hcoe.org/covid-19-2/school-meal-times-and-locations.

Northern California Community Blood Bank: You can make an extremely essential outing and safely donate at a number of times and locations around Humboldt. Blood mobiles and the blood center are set up for social distancing. Visit www.nccbb.net for a full schedule.

Mad River Community Hospital: Donations of PPE can be made at the main hospital entrance Monday through Friday, noon to 2 p.m. Facilities in need of masks can reach out to the Facebook group Humboldt Coronavirus Mask Makers for donations.

Emergency Grants Available to Help College Students Stay in School with a \$500 California College Student Emergency Support Fund for low-income students who are currently enrolled full time and have already completed 24 semester units. Undocumented immigrants, foster youth and those who are housing insecure are urged to apply. Apply online at www.missionassetfund.org/ca-college-student-grant.

SoHum Health's hospital and clinic staff are calling seniors residing in the area to offer a wellness check, information on grocery delivery services via the Healy Senior Center, prescription refills and delivery, and Tele-health visits with their clinic providers, if needed. Don't wait for a call, contact SoHum Health's Senior Life Solutions at 922-6321.

Humboldt Area Foundation and its affiliate the Wild Rivers Community Foundation (in Crescent City) have launched the COVID-19 Regional Response Fund. Tax-deductible contributions can be made by mail, at www.hafoundation.org or in person. Grants will go to nonprofits, other charitable organizations and Native Indigenous organizations in Trinity, Humboldt, Del Norte and Curry counties. Visit www.hafoundation.org or call 442-2993.

Pacific Gas and Electric Co. (PG&E) is implementing a series of billing and service modifications effective immediately to support customers experiencing hardships as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information, visit www.pge.com/covid19.

EVENTS

Dispersed Sand Sculpture Festival. July 1-31. Humboldt County beaches. Household groups are invited to create sandy masterpieces on local beaches, post them on social media, donate to vote for favorites and possibly win prizes. Email sculpture photos to info@friendsofthedunes.org with the location, date it was created, sculpture and team name and if your team is representing a business. Proceeds support free dune education and stewardship programs.

Fortuna Fireworks. Friday, July 3, 10 p.m. City of Fortuna, Various locations. No festival at Rohner Park this year but fireworks will go on. Watch from your home or car. Fireworks will be launched from an undisclosed location and be visible high in the sky across Fortuna.

HC Black Music and Arts Silent Protest. Saturday, July 4, 10 a.m.-noon. Old Town Gazebo, Second and F streets, Eureka. Silent protest. Wear all black and bring instruments. Family friendly.

The Vote Screening and Panel Discussion. Thursday, July 2, 7 p.m. Virtual World, online. Celebrate the 100-year anniversary of the 19th Amendment. KEET-TV and the League of Women Voters of Humboldt County present a free online preview screening of *The Vote* by *American Experience*. The *Journal's* Linda Stansberry leads a discussion with historian and author Alex Service, Arcata City Councilmember Sofia Pereria and retired Registrar of Voters Carolyn Crnich. On OVEE.itvs.org. Go to KEET.org to register. Free.

What's New at the Zoo. Thursday, July 2, 3-4 p.m. Virtual World, online. Catch up with the animals and get updated on the Redwood Sky Walk via Zoom. Register www.humboldtstate.zoom.us/join/register/tjcufigq-TorHtXEWrixcuXO9Lqigoqsi.

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King Maxwell Quarantine Funk #9. Fridays, 9-11 p.m. Virtual World, online. King Maxwell spins funk, soul, electro, disco, roller skating jams and boogie, and adds vocoder flavor. Free. arcatasoulpartycrew@gmail.com. [youtube.com/watch?v=pssTry5HLAK](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pssTry5HLAK).

Online Variety Show and Open Mic. Sundays, 6-8 p.m. Virtual World, online. Weekly Sunday evening Outer Space Arcata live stream variety show and open mic. Four slots available per hour. DM to sign up. www.facebook.com/events/24114663891421.

Radio Clash. Sunday, July 5, 6 p.m. Virtual World, online. Post-punk and New Wave on deck all night in isolation/collaboration with Tucker Noir, VJ Ratrace, Zero One and Calder Johnson. www.twitch.tv/thatzeroone. If twitch goes down, watch on Mixcloud: <https://www.mixcloud.com/ThatZeroOne>.

Reel Genius Virtual Trivia. Wednesday, July 8, 6:30-8 p.m. Join in for virtual trivia, live on Zoom from home or dining in person at the Madrone Taphouse.

Shelter n Play. Fridays, 6 p.m. Public group of mostly Humboldt locals on Facebook. Open mic for all skill levels, all styles, all humans welcome to watch or perform. Sign-ups Wednesdays at noon. www.facebook.com/groups/224856781967115.

Social Distancing Festival. Virtual World, online. A site for celebrating art from all over the world. Tune in for live streams of music, theater, storytelling, performance art and more. www.socialdistancingfestival.com. Free.

Socially Distant Fest. Another Facebook group for virtual connection and entertainment with 57,000 members and growing. Musicians, poets, puppeteers, fire spinners are welcome to the Sunday showcase. Email howdy@sociallydistantfest.com to perform. www.facebook.com/groups/sociallydistantfest.

Quarantine Sing-along. Ongoing, 7 p.m. Virtual World, online. A Facebook group to join if you like fun group singing. Song of the day posted at 3 p.m., singing starts at 7 p.m. www.facebook.com/groups/quarantinesing-along. Free.

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Poetry on the Edge. Ongoing. Virtual World, online. This Facebook group of Humboldt County poets (and lovers of poetry) is about living on the edge of the continent in a pandemic. Hosted by Eureka Poet Laureate David Holper. Free.

COMEDY

Drive-In Comedy w/Eric Fitzgerald. Sunday, July 5, 9 p.m. Savage Henry Comedy Club, 415 Fifth St., Eureka. Pull in behind the club, tune into 107.9 FM and enjoy the show. No public restroom. Mask required outside vehicle. Venmo donations welcome @Savage-Henry. www.savagehenrymagazine.com.

Redbeard's Back Alley Birthday Bash. Saturday, July 4, 9 p.m. Savage Henry Comedy Club, 415 Fifth St., Eureka. Matt Redbeard and Josh Barnes welcome Dr. Foxmeat and Cornell Reid for drive-in comedy. Pull in behind the club, tune into 107.9 and watch the live show out our back door. No public restroom. Mask required outside vehicle. Venmo donations welcome @Savage-Henry. www.savagehenrymagazine.com.

Return of the Open Mikey. Wednesday, July 8, 9 p.m. Savage Henry Comedy Club, 415 Fifth St., Eureka. Pull in behind the club, tune into 107.9 FM or roll down your window and enjoy some comedy. No public restroom. Mask required outside vehicle. Venmo donations welcome @Savage-Henry. www.savagehenrymagazine.com.

The Roast of David Eubanks. Friday, July 3, 9 p.m. Savage Henry Comedy Club, 415 Fifth St., Eureka. David Eubanks is moving away. Come see what the local comedians really think about him. This is a drive-in style event. Pull in behind the club, tune into 107.9 and enjoy the roast out the back door. No public restroom. Mask required outside vehicle. Venmo donations welcome. @Savage-Henry. www.savagehenrymagazine.com.

DANCE & MOVEMENT

Dancing Stars of Humboldt 2020 Now Streaming. Ongoing. Virtual World, online. Stream the March 14 show for a limited time. Contact dancingstarsofhumboldt@gmail.com with a photo of your ticket(s) or ticket numbers, or buy one for \$15. dancingstarsofhumboldt@gmail.com/flickrrocket.com/us/All-Products/c/1. 888-418-8346.

Hip Hop Dance Class with Cleo. Mondays, 2-3 p.m. Virtual World, online. Let loose with some easy footwork and isolation, while finding your own groove. Donations via PayPal under Cleo_deorio@yahoo.com or Venmo under @cleodeorio. Pay what you can. www.youtube.com/channel/UC3K_ieEdMDotn2qjZcIKh2g. (567) 242-8953.

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Restorative Movement. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m. & 1:30-2:30 p.m. Virtual World, online. This class includes breath work, relaxation, and a variety of yoga and non-yoga movement styles. Tuesday classes focus on strength and mobility. Thursday classes focus on relaxation and breath work. Contact instructor Ann Constantino for a link to the online class orientation. Free. annconstantino@gmail.com. www.sohumhealth.org. 923-3921.

Tabata. Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Virtual World, online. SoHum Health presents short, high intensity cardio workouts. Contact instructor Stephanie Finch by email for a link to the online class. Free. sfinch40@gmail.com. www.sohumhealth.org.

FOOD

Arcata Plaza Farmers Market. Saturdays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Fruits, vegetable, plant starts, flowers and more. Visit the NCGA website to view updates and protocols to help keep the market safe and open. Free. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. www.northcoastgrowersassociation.org. 441-9999.

Eureka Henderson Center Farmers Market. Thursdays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Henderson Center, Henderson near F Street, Eureka. Fresh and local fruits, vegetables, plant starts, flowers and more. Visit the NCGA website to view updates and protocols to help us keep the market safe and open. Free. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. www.northcoastgrowersassociation.org. 441-9999.

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Garberville Farmers Market. Fridays, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Garberville Town Square, Church Street. Humboldt County farmers bring their fresh, locally grown fruits, vegetables, plant starts, flowers and more. Visit the NCGA website to view updates and protocols to help us keep the market safe and open. Free. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. www.northcoastgrowersassociation.org. 441-9999.

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Miranda Farmers Market. Mondays, 2-6 p.m. Miranda Market, 6685 Avenue of the Giants. Humboldt County farmers and vendors, bringing you fresh delicious food weekly. Visit the NCGA website to view updates and protocols to help us keep the market safe and open. Free. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. www.northcoastgrowersassociation.org. 441-9999.

Shelter Cove Farmers Market. Tuesdays, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Mario's Marina Bar, 533 Machi Road, Shelter Cove. Humboldt County farmers and vendors bring fruits, vegetables, plant starts, flowers and more. Visit the NCGA website to view updates and protocols to help us keep the market safe and open. Free. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. www.northcoastgrowersassociation.org. 441-9999.

Summer Drive-Through Dinners. Fridays, 4-9 p.m. Mateel Community Center, 59 Rusk Lane, Redway. The Mateel Kitchen will produce all natural and/or organic dinner, desserts and drinks created each week by local guest chefs and packaged to go. Menus at www.mateel.org. Place orders by calling 923-3368. Pick up and exit out the back gate. Limited seating on the hillside.

Willow Creek Farmers Market. Thursdays, 6 p.m. Veteran's Park, 135 Willow Road, Willow Creek. Locally grown produce and more. Visit the NCGA website to view updates and protocols to help us keep the market safe and open. Free. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. www.northcoastgrowersassociation.org. 441-9999.

KIDS

Boston Children's Museum Walk-through Tour. Ongoing. Virtual World, online. See the fun, educational exhibits from your couch. Free. www.bostonchildrensmuseum.org/museum-virtual-tour.

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San Diego Zoo Kids. Ongoing. Virtual World, online. Zoo videos, activities and games. www.kids.sandiegozoo.org. Free.

Playhouse Wonder Wagon. Monday, July 6, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 7, 10 a.m.-12:15 p.m. and Wednesday, July 8, 10 a.m.-12:15 p.m. The Arcata Playhouse brings art packets and instruction for community kids of all ages to local elementary school and community center parking lots in Blue Lake, Fieldbrook, Valley West, Arcata, Cutten and Eureka. Physical distancing spaces marked with chalk. Wear masks when picking up supplies. Visit www.arcataplayhouse.org for schedule. Free. www.arcataplayhouse.org/playhouse-wonder-wagon. 822-1575.

Virtual Circle Time. Mondays, 3-3:30 p.m. and Thursdays, 10 a.m.-10:30 p.m. Virtual World, online. Geared toward families and caregivers with children newborn to 5 years of age, however all family members are welcome. Children play games, practice stress-reducing activities and sing songs together in the safety and comfort of home. Song requests accepted by email at hstevens@cityofarcata.org or by messaging Arcata Play Center on Facebook. To join on Zoom, visit [www.us02web.zoom.us/j/86022989325](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86022989325).

Virtual Field Trips. Ongoing. Virtual World, online. For kids (and grown-ups, too!) Visit the Great Wall of China, Anne Frank House, Monterey Bay Aquarium, International Space Station, The Louvre Museum and more. www.freedomhomeschooling.com/virtual-field-trips. Free.

Virtual Marine Camp for Kids. Mondays, 11 a.m. Virtual World, online. Seattle-based Oceans Initiative marine biologists and parents Erin Ashe and Rob Williams livestream Mondays simultaneously on Instagram and Facebook. Just like and follow their pages, and they'll "see" you Mondays at 11 a.m. Free. [@oceansinitiative](http://www.facebook.com/OceansInitiative), www.oceansinitiative.org/blog.

Young Adult Book Club with Ms. Larissa. Thursday, June 25, 6-7 p.m. Virtual World, online. The June title for the Young Adult Book Club is *Frankenstein*. Access a free e-copy at www.gutenberg.org/files/42324/42324-h/42324-h.htm Via zoom video-conferencing. Contact ahead for an invitation. Free. www.facebook.com/events/1932490010216442. Call Tin Can Mailman at 822-1307, Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., or Arcata Library, 822-5954, Tuesday to Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Zoom into Preschool Storytime with Ms. Sue. Saturday, June 27, 11-11:30 a.m. Virtual World, online. Bring rhythm sticks and shaker eggs for songs if you have them, but clapping hands will do just fine. Call 822-5954 or email sparsons@co.humboldt.ca.us to register and receive a Zoom invitation. Free. www.facebook.com/events/569553957039103.

Zoom into School-age Storytime with Ms. Sue. Fridays, 11-11:45 a.m. Virtual World, online. Zoom into stories for children in kindergarten through third grade. Call Arcata Library at 822-5954 Tuesday through Saturday between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. for an invitation link. If no one answers, leave a message with your name, phone number and email address. Free. www.facebook.com/events/250401182925890.

Zoom Skate w/Big T Weekly on Wednesdays. Wednesday, July 8, 3:30 p.m. Virtual World, online. Learn new tricks and skate with Eureka Skate Shop. Join Zoom meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83223989012?pwd=WUNOTzFSczRONk42RS9iQmVNMHordz09> Meeting ID: 832 2398 9012 Password: 621157.

LECTURE

In the Makeup Chair - How to Create Special Effects with a Few Simple Elements. Wednesday, July 8, 1 p.m. Virtual World, online. An introduction to the useful elements in special effect makeup design in latex, nose wax and other materials. With Rae Robinson, Department of Theatre Arts, HSU. Zoom webinar: <https://humboldt-state.zoom.us/j/94055220993>.

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animals/live-cams. Free.

California Native Plant Society Wildflower Show. Virtual World, online. The North Coast Chapter of the California Native Plant Society hosts photos of wildflowers and their habitats; presentations on pollination and pollinators; posters and slideshows about invasive plants, dune plants and Wiyot plants; and lessons on wildflower art. susanpenn60@gmail.com. www.northcoastcnps.org. 672-3346.

NASA Space Center's Hubble Space Telescope. Ongoing. Virtual World, online. Take a virtual tour of NASA Space Center's Hubble Space Telescope. www.nasa.gov/content/goddard/hubble-360-degree-virtual-tour. Free.

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ETC.

Humboldt County Human Rights Commission. Thursday, July 2, 5 p.m. Virtual World, online. Meeting highlights include committee reports, presentations by Access Humboldt and Black Humboldt. The complete agenda will be available at least 72 hours prior on the County website. Public comment via Facebook at Humboldt County Human Rights Commission, YouTube and the platforms below. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85724250893?pwd=Ry9rcHljWnJDbGFpN2tabHc2Nn-R3Zz09> Meeting ID: 857 2425 0893 Password: 258749 One tap mobile +16699009128, US (San Jose)+13462487799 www.humboldt.gov/org/1308/Human-Rights-Commission.

Meditation with Sasha. Thursday, July 2, noon. Virtual World, online. This is a 15- to 20-minute guided meditation and yoga nidra session exploring mind-body connection. Register at (Zoom): www.humboldtstate.zoom.us/meeting/register/tj0qcOypqTsiH9BlzdokW-4fjoDyftd8Pzek. Part of the Life Long Learning Lounge (L4HSU) at HSU.

The Write Stuff - An Online Writing Group. Thursdays, 5-6 p.m. Virtual World, online. The Humboldt County Library's online group meets on Zoom to share writing and inspiration, and offer feedback. Sign up on the Google Form at www.forms.gle/HP8vgleiXhMKRUJd7 to get the Zoom meeting invite. Free. www.facebook.com/events/554786865206598. 269-1915.

Weekly Check-in with Rep. Huffman. Wednesdays, noon. Virtual World, online. Rep. Jared Huffman (D-San Rafael) holds Facebook Live check-ins with constituents with updates regarding the novel coronavirus pandemic and to answer questions about the federal response. www.huffman.house.gov/coronavirus. Free. www.facebook.com/rephuffman.



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An Eye on the Competition

Eurovision Song Contest, Irrisistible and Balle Perdu

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EUROVISION SONG CONTEST: THE STORY OF FIRE SAGA. Sometimes — almost always, these days — comedy feels like the only chance we've got. Not as escapism, really, but as a reminder that having feelings doesn't necessarily mean always feeling bad and a chance to briefly dispel the cloud of fatalism that can so frequently block out the sun. Maybe it's too much to ask of David Dobkin's new movie, that a ridiculous farce about aged-out Icelandic pop wannabes undo the ills of a world in unprecedented tumult. In my defense, though, my hope felt justified: *Eurovision* stars Will Ferrell (who co-wrote the screenplay) and Rachel McAdams (whose acting I admire and for whom I harbor a middle-school crush), who collaborated so successfully with Dobkin on *Wedding Crashers* (2005). Both leads are certifiable scene stealers and the thought of McAdams stretching out to match Ferrell's innate, large-format goofiness is truly exciting. Their dynamic is indeed charming and funny and the fact that it can't fully save the movie (or the planet) could be more about me than them. Still, I can't help but think about how good this might have been.

Best friends Lars (Ferrell) and Sigrit (McAdams), as the duo Fire Saga, have spent decades honing their brand of power pop and dreaming of the big stage: the annual Eurovision Song Contest, which, for the uninitiated, is a real event and just as bonkers as the movie makes it out to be. Due to unforeseen circumstances created either by magical elves or espionage, Fire

Saga qualifies for the contest. They're off to Edinburgh to contend not only with their competitors (Dan Stevens stands out as a hyper-sexualized Russian), but with their unacknowledged feelings for one another.

Which is all fine: the movie is polished, pleasant and ultimately innocuous. It relies pretty heavily on the novelty/pageantry of the contest for both its aesthetic and as a substitute for a more complex or involving plot. Light, uncomplicated and fairly brisk despite its two-hour running time, *Eurovision* will likely please the crowd, but it cannot be called a success. PG13. 123M. NETFLIX.

IRRISISTIBLE. While Will Ferrell seems to be moving up the autumn period of his career, becoming softer and slower with each new role, Steve Carell's out here making moves and getting sharper all the time. Plague season already saw the release of season one of *Space Force*, a spot-on goof-ball satire he co-created with Greg Daniels for Netflix. Now he leads the cast of Jon Stewart's latest indictment of the commercialization (read: corruption) of American politics and it is a fine thing indeed.

Carell plays Gary Zimmer, a Democrat campaign strategist between jobs. When a staffer directs his attention to a viral video of a retired Marine colonel storming a city council meeting in his rural Wisconsin town, Gary sees an opportunity. He heads to Deerlaken in the private jet, spends the day with Col. Jack Hastings (Chris Cooper) and decides to play kingmaker. He brings his formidable resources to bear on the



Enjoying Humboldt beaches without the crowds. *Eurovision Song Contest*

tiny town's mayoral race, hoping to bring a moderate progressive candidate into the national spotlight and recapture the centrist base of the party. Soon enough, the national Republican party has thrown their weight behind incumbent mayor Braun (Brent Sexton) and sent in Faith Brewster (Rose Byrne), every inch Gary's nemesis.

Things get out of hand rather quickly, with rhetoric and campaign donations ramping up disproportionately in almost no time. It becomes clear that no matter who wins the election, the town doesn't really stand to gain anything except to be one way to measure a pissing contest. That is, unless the locals are more sophisticated than the politicians might think.

Irresistible succeeds where so many fail, in being genuinely entertaining and narratively complex without appearing to pander. This has much to do with the fact that Stewart believes unquestionably in the themes he's exploring with this movie, but it's also down to a deeply capable, compelling and committed ensemble cast. R. 101M. STREAMING ON DEMAND.

BALLE PERDU (LOST BULLET). People keep saying there's nothing left to watch on Netflix. I don't have the energy to cor-

rect them, nor do I believe they've actually scratched the surface. Sure, the platform isn't perfect, the catalog isn't all-encompassing. Everybody wants everything, right now and all of the time, but that's not how it works.

One of the things I find so satisfying about Netflix is its capacity to remind me of simpler times: the video store days, when browsing was sometimes more fun than watching whatever the browsing yielded. Furthermore, as a studio, it keeps cranking out genre trash, just like the old days. Maybe I want to watch a highly derivative French cops-and-robbers movie that promises car chases it never really delivers? So what? It makes me feel young.

I won't waste too much space or time describing it but *Balle Perdu*, despite its plot holes, posturing and questionable action sequences, triggered enough nostalgia and was so-bad-its-good enough to not only get me to commit to pressing play, but to keep me from pressing stop until the end credits. TVMA. 92M. NETFLIX. ●

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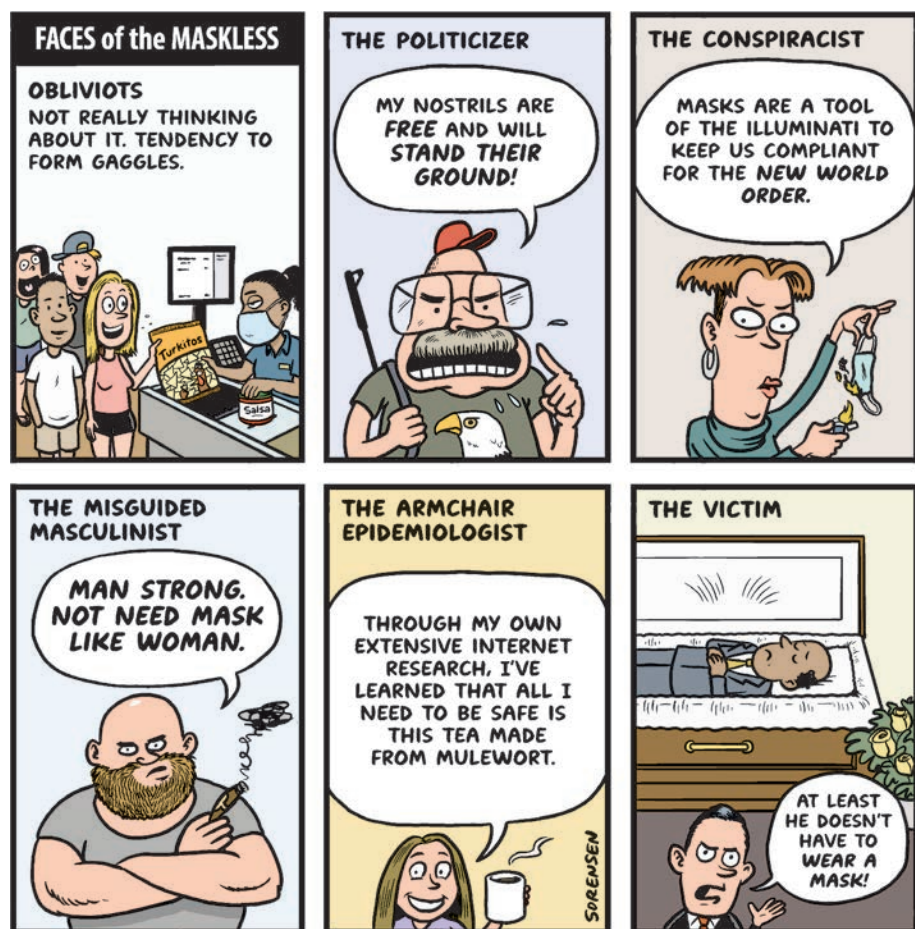
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Free Will Astrology

Week of July 2, 2020

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Aries author Marge Piercy writes, “The people I love the best, jump into work head first without dallying in the shallows.” The Aries people I love best will do just that in the coming days. Now is not the right time to wait around passively, lazily hoping that something better will come along. Nor is it prudent to procrastinate or postpone decisions while shopping around for more options or collecting more research. Dive, Aries, dive!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): *Calvin and Hobbes* is a comic strip by Bill Watterson. It features a boy named Calvin and his stuffed tiger Hobbes. In the first panel of one story, Calvin is seated at a school desk looking perplexed as he studies a question on a test, which reads: “Explain [Isaac] Newton’s First Law of Motion in your own words.” In the second panel, Calvin has a broad smile, suddenly imbued with inspiration. In the third panel, he writes his response to the test question: “Yakka foob mog. Grug pubbawup zink wattoom gazork. Chumble spuzz.” The fourth panel shows him triumphant and relaxed, proclaiming, “I love loopholes.” I propose that you use this scenario as your victorious metaphor in the coming weeks, Taurus. Look for loopholes! And use them to overcome obstacles and solve riddles.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): “It is a fault to wish to be understood before we have made ourselves clear to ourselves,” wrote philosopher and activist Simone Weil. I’m hoping that this horoscope of mine can help you avoid that mistake. In the coming weeks and months, you will have a stronger-than-usual need to be seen for who you really are—to have your essential nature be appreciated and understood by people you care about. And the best way to make sure that happens is to work hard right now on seeing, appreciating, and understanding yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Some readers wish I would write more like Cormac McCarthy or Albert Camus or Raymond Chandler: with spare simplicity. They accuse me of being too lush and exuberant in my prose. They want me to use shorter sentences and fewer adjectives. To them I say: It ain’t going to happen. I have feelings similar to those of best-selling Cancerian author Oliver Sacks, who the *New York Times* called, “one of the great clinical writers of the 20th century.” Sacks once said, “I never use one adjective if six seem to me better and, in their cumulative effect, more incisive. I am haunted by the density of reality and try to capture this with ‘thick description.’” I bring these thoughts to your attention, my fellow Cancerian, because I think it’s important for you to be your lavish, sumptuous, complex self in the coming weeks. Don’t oversimplify yourself or dumb yourself down, either intellectually or emotionally.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Travel writer Paul Theroux has journeyed long distances by train: once from Britain to Japan and back again, and then from Massachusetts to Argentina. He also rode trains during part of his expedition from Cairo to Cape Town. Here’s one of his conclusions: “It is almost axiomatic that the worst trains take you through magical places.” I’d like to offer a milder version of that counsel as your metaphor for the coming weeks: The funky, bumpy, rickety influences will bring you the best magic.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Philosopher Miguel de Unamuno declared, “Everything that exalts and expands consciousness is good, while that which depresses and diminishes it is evil.” This idea will be intensely true for and applicable to you in the coming weeks, Virgo. It will be your sacred duty—both to yourself and to those you care about—to enlarge your understandings of how the world works and to push your awareness to become more inclusive and empathetic. What’s your vision of paradise-on-earth? Now is a good time to have fun imagining it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): What do you want to be when you

grow up, Libra? What’s that you say? You firmly believe you are already all grown up? I hope not! In my vision of your destiny, you will always keep evolving and transforming; you will ceaselessly transcend your existing successes and push on to accomplish further breakthroughs and victories. Now would be an excellent time to rededicate yourself to this noble aspiration. I invite you to dream and scheme about three specific wonders and marvels you would like to experience during the next five years.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren has advice that would serve you well in the coming weeks. She says, “Keep a little space in your heart for the improbable. You won’t regret it.” In accordance with your astrological potentials, I’m inclined to amend her statement as follows: “Keep a sizable space in your heart for the improbable. You’ll be rewarded with catalytic revelations and intriguing opportunities.” To attract blessings in abundance, Scorpio, be willing to set aside some of your usual skepticism and urge for control.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Author Malidoma Somé lives in the U.S. now, but was born in the West African country of Burkina Faso. He writes, “In the culture of my people, the Dagara, we have no word for the supernatural. The closest we come to this concept is *Yielbongura*, ‘the thing that knowledge can’t eat.’ This word suggests that the life and power of certain things depend upon their resistance to the categorizing knowledge that human beings apply to everything.” I bring Somé’s thoughts to your attention, Sagittarius, because I suspect that in the coming weeks, you will encounter more than the usual number of experiences that knowledge can’t eat. They might at times be a bit spooky or confounding, but will mostly be interesting and fun. I’m guessing that if you embrace them, they will liberate you from overly literal and materialistic ideas about how the world works. And that will be good for your soul.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Pioneer Capricorn scientist Isaac Newton is often hailed as one of history’s greatest geniuses. I agree that his intellectual capacities were sublime. But his emotional intelligence was sparse and feeble. During the time he taught at Cambridge University, his talks were so affectless and boring that many of his students skipped most of his classes. I’ll encourage you to make Newton your anti-role model for the next eight weeks. This time will be favorable for you to increase your mastery of three kinds of intelligence beyond the intellectual kind: feeling, intuition, and collaboration.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): When future writer (and Aquarius) Charles Dickens was 12 years old, his parents and siblings got incarcerated in a debtors’ prison. To stay alive and help his family, he took a job working 12 hours a day, six days a week, pasting labels on pots of boot polish in a rotting, rat-infested warehouse. Hard times! Yet the experiences he had there later provided him with rich material for the novels that ultimately made him wealthy and beloved. In predicting that you, too, will have future success at capitalizing on difficulty, I don’t mean to imply you’ve endured or will endure anything as harsh as Dickens’ ordeal. I’m just hoping to help you appreciate the motivating power of your challenging experiences.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Maybe you feel that the ongoing pandemic has inhibited your ability to explore and deepen intimacy to the degree that would like to. But even if that’s the case, the coming weeks will provide openings that could soften and remedy your predicament. So be extra receptive and alert to the clues that life reveals to you. And call on your imagination to look for previously unguessed and unexpected ways to reinvent togetherness and tenderness. Let’s call the next three weeks your Season of Renewing Rapport. ●

CROSSWORD by David Levinson Wilk

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DOWN

ANSWERS NEXT WEEK!

ACROSS

1. "Surely you don't mean me!?"

4. Wearying routine

11. Therapists' org.

14. Jump shot's path

15. Nook, e.g.

16. "___ favor"

17. Repeated cry in a 1973 fight

19. Ball ___ (play area)

20. City with two MLB teams

21. Wriggly reef resident

22. Operates, as a booth

23. Like cornrows

27. Having no illusions or pretensions

29. Cleveland NBAers

30. Bronx-born congresswoman, familiarly

32. Be dishonest with

33. Oktoberfest

exclamation

35. Set overly easy goals

36. NFL team

mentioned in the lyrics of Lizzo's "Truth Hurts"

38. As well

42. PBS series that jumped to the big screen in 2019

47. Orbicularis ___ (eyelid-closing muscle)

48. "Sprechen ___ Deutsch?"

49. "Field of Dreams" locale

50. Popular yoga pose

53. Like some sloths

55. Actress Hathaway

56. Like sashimi

58. 2/

59. Oxygen, for one

60. Annoyed

moviegoer's shout ... or what 17-,

27-, 33-, 42- and

50-Across all lack

65. Ending with "umich."

66. Image in a psychoanalysis test

67. Boating blade

68. Weaken

69. Not about to betray

70. Snorters' quarters

DOWN

1. GQ or O

2. Top prize in los Juegos Olímpicos

3. Glacial chamber

4. Overhaul

5. Part of ETA: Abbr.

6. Spill the ___ (gossip)

7. Demolish

8. On ___ (trying to lose)

9. Green with the 2010 hit "Forget You"

10. Blunder

11. Duds

12. Indicate, as with one's finger

13. Gallery event

18. ___ kebab

22. Severely injure

23. %: Abbr.

24. "Well, ___ -dahl!"

25. 1984 hit with the lyric "Have a banana, have a whole bunch"

26. Loading zone

28. Donovan of "Clueless"

31. Some poker payments

34. Steer clear of

35. Veep under Nixon

37. "___ cannot be!"

38. Hauler's charges

39. National anthem adopted in 1980

40. Gets really angry

41. Ye ___ Shoppe

43. Dog that needs a

muzzle, say

44. Owies

45. Palindromic animal

46. ___ Vashem, Israel's Holocaust memorial

51. University of Maine town

52. Lacking grace

54. "We're ___ see the Wizard ..."

57. Hoops grp. since 1996

60. Tommy's kid brother on "Rugrats"

61. Under the weather

62. "As if!"

63. 2019 World Series champ

64. Sample

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS TO CURVE

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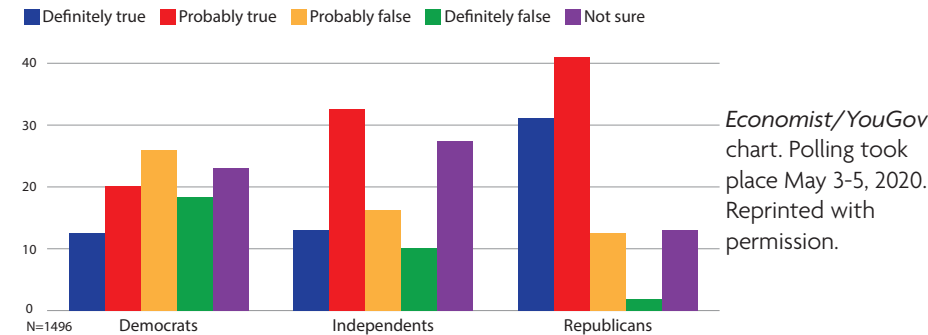
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Do you believe it is true or false that a laboratory in China was the origin of the virus responsible for COVID-19?



Coronaviruses and Bioweapons

By Barry Evans

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Despite researchers showing that SARS-CoV-2, the virus causing the current pandemic, was not created in a lab in Wuhan, China, polls show that nearly half of all Americans prefer the rumors to science. Predictably, much depends on one's political persuasion: Twice as many Republicans believe this is either definitely or probably true. So, once again (having addressed this in a previous column, "Blame Evolution," March 26), it's possible to state with near-certainty that at least two features of the virus rule out an artificial origin:

- The overall molecular structure or "backbone" of the virus differs substantially from known coronaviruses, instead resembling those found in bats and pangolins. A bioengineer creating a new pathogenic coronavirus would surely have started out with the backbone of a virus already known to be harmful to humans rather than reinventing the wheel, as it were.
- The spike protein is so effective at binding to human ACE-2 cells that researchers concluded that it could only have evolved naturally, not created by genetic engineering.

According to Scripps Research immunologist Kristian Andersen, "By comparing the available genome sequence data for known coronavirus strains, we can firmly determine that SARS-CoV-2 originated through natural processes."

Although SARS-CoV-2 wasn't engineered, suspicion that it might have been isn't that far out of line, given our species' history with bioweapons. Such weapons come in two forms: natural and artificial. European ancestors, who knew all about fighting "dirty wars" with naturally occurring pathogens, spread the smallpox virus to Native communities in clothes and blankets, contaminated the enemy's water supply with rabid dogs and catapulted anthrax-infected sheep over castle walls.

Anthrax is a particularly effective infec-

tious bioweapon. It's spread by contact with the bacterium *Bacillus anthracis*, which humans can pick up just by inhaling anthrax spores. Workers exposed to dead animals or in contact with wool and animal hides are particularly at risk. Even more virulent versions of anthrax can be artificially created in laboratories. According to the National Center for Biotechnology Information, "Anthrax ... is easy to produce in large quantities, highly lethal, relatively easy to develop as a weapon, easily spread over a large area and easily stored and dangerous for a long time."

In 1972, the U.S. and the USSR signed the Biological Weapons Convention, which went into effect in 1975. However, the USSR was still developing anthrax as a bioweapon in 1979 when, on April 2, an accidental leak from a secret stockpile of an artificial anthrax strain in Sverdlovsk, 900 miles east of Moscow, resulted in more than 100 deaths. In a more recent incident in the U.S., a week after the 9/11 attacks, letters containing anthrax spores were mailed to media offices and (later) to two Democratic senators, resulting in 22 people being infected, five of whom died.

So even though SARS-CoV-2 almost certainly isn't a bioweapon, we should be on the alert for future attacks. According to microbiologist Mohammad Moniruzzaman of Virginia Polytech, "Engineering viruses or bacteria is actually not that difficult. Scientists are already modifying bacteria to produce hundreds of different proteins or drug components. It should be possible to engineer a pathway in a bacterium that produces molecules highly toxic for humans." Hopefully, our experience this time around with quarantine, social isolation, hand-washing and contact tracing will give us a heads-up when the next pathogenic bacterium or virus — natural or artificial — comes calling. ●

Barry Evans (barryevans9@yahoo.com) misses his usual column-writing venues: coffee shops.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BRENDA JEANNE GEVAS CASE NO. PR2000135

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of BRENDA JEANNE GEVAS, BRENDA J. GEVAS, AND BRENDA GEVAS A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner, CONNIE TRITCHLER AND ROBERT CASSIDY In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that CONNIE TRITCHLER AND ROBERT CASSIDY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on July 23, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Dept.: 6. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate

Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: Daniel E. Cooper Morison, Morrison & Cooper 611 I Street, Suite A Eureka, CA 95501 707-443-8011 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

7/2, 7/9, 7/16 (20-152)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE COMPLIANCE WITH CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE SECTION 2923.3 WAS NOT REQUIRED BECAUSE THE LOAN IS SECURED BY VACANT LAND.

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED NOVEMBER 10, 2015. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by the duly appointed trustee, as shown below, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein.

TRUSTOR: Dana Hudson, a married man, dealing with his separate property DULY APPOINTED TRUSTEE: Harland Law Firm LLP DEED OF TRUST RECORDED: November 10, 2015 INSTRUMENT NUMBER: 2015-023136 -5 of the Official Records of the Recorder of Humboldt County, California DATE OF SALE: July 10, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. PLACE OF SALE: Front entrance to the County Courthouse, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

THE COMMON DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY IS PURPORTED TO BE: Vacant Land. Directions to the property may be obtained by pursuant to a written request submitted to Harland Law Firm LLP, 212 G Street, Suite 201, Eureka, CA 95501, within 10 days from the first publication of this notice.

See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof for the Legal Description.

Amount of unpaid balance and other charges as of June 8, 2020: \$212,265.02

Beneficiary may elect to open bidding at a lesser amount.

The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of this notice is stated above, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice.

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to fee and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call the trustee's information line at (707) 444-9281. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

DATED: This 8th day of June, 2020 in the city of Eureka, and the county of Humboldt, California. Harland Law Firm LLP

John S. Lopez, Attorney, and Trustee for Beneficiary Linda S. Citron, Sole Remaining Trustee of the June Kropp Giffin Trust FBO Zachary Ambrose Giffin dated July 24, 1998

6/18, 6/25, 7/5 (20-139)

T.S. No. 091274-CA APN: 522-411-012-000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/14/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER

On 7/24/2020 at 10:00 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 11/20/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-33933-14 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Humboldt County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: DAVID CARMAN, A MARRIED MAN, AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE: IN THE FRONT ENTRANCE OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, 825 5TH STREET, EUREKA, CA 95501 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 184 SHADY LANE WILLOW CREEK, CA 95573 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$332,600.54 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for

any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (800) 280-2832 or visit this Internet Web site WWW.AUCTION.COM, using the file number assigned to this case 091274-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (800) 280-2832 CLEAR RECON CORP 4375 Jutland Drive San Diego, California 92117

7/2, 7/9, 7/16 (20-150)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00247

The following person is doing Business as **B K PLUMBING**

Humboldt
183 Palmer Blvd
Fortuna, CA 95540

Brian Kovats
183 Palmer Blvd
Fortuna, CA 95540

The business is conducted by an Individual. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable I declare the all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Brian Kovats, Owner This May 22, 2020 KELLY E. SANDERS by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

6/11, 6/18, 6/25, 7/2 (20-129)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00294

The following person is doing Business as **REDWOOD COAST PLUMBING**

Humboldt
1303 Poplar Dr.
Arcata, CA 95521

Larry Scarfia
1303 Poplar Dr.
Arcata, CA 95521

Anita D Scarfia
1303 Poplar Dr.
Arcata, CA 95521

Martina M Scarfia
1303 Poplar Dr.
Arcata, CA 95521

Asia A Scarfia-Ward
2522 Spring Street
Eureka, CA 95501

The business is conducted by a General Partnership. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable I declare the all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Anita Scarfia This June 17, 2020 KELLY E. SANDERS by kt, Humboldt County Clerk

6/25, 7/2, 7/9, 7/16 (20-149)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00262

The following person is doing Business as **MAD RIVER FARM**

Humboldt
100 Ericson Ct, Suite 140
Arcata, CA 95521

1440 Reasor Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519

Cary P Bartlett
1440 Reasor Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519

Bessie R Bartlett
1440 Reasor Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519

The business is conducted by an Married Couple. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on November 17, 2014 I declare the all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Bessie R Bartlett, Owner This May, 19, 2020 KELLY E. SANDERS by kt, Humboldt County Clerk

6/25, 7/2, 7/9, 7/16 (20-142)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00263

The following person is doing Business as **HUMBOLDT RENEGADE FARMS**

Humboldt
25 Sesame Loop
Garberville, CA 95542

1845 Upper Chamise Loop
Garberville, CA 95542

Lion's Den Farms LLC
CA 201833410101
25 Sesame Loop
Garberville, CA 95542

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6/11, 6/18, 6/25, 7/2 (20-136)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00254

The following person is doing Business as **AZALEA & CREW**

Humboldt
3556 E St
Eureka, CA 95503

Mailee Yang
3556 E St
Eureka, CA 95503

The business is conducted by an Individual. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable I declare the all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Mailee Yang, Owner This May 27, 2020 KELLY E. SANDERS by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

6/18, 6/25, 7/2, 7/9 (20-138)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00261

The following person is doing Business as **COMFORTABLE EFFICIENCY**

Humboldt
4060 Dows Prairie Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519

Shawn E Ellsworth
2545 Daffodil Ave
McKinleyville, CA 95519

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6/18, 6/25, 7/2, 7/9 (20-145)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00299

The following person is doing Business as **MOONDANCE CLEANING**

Humboldt
2035 Upper Bay Rd
Arcata, CA 95521

Samuel P Hood
2035 Upper Bay Rd
Arcata, CA 95521

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7/2, 7/9, 7/16, 7/23 (20-153)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 20-00283

The following person is doing Business as **HUMBOLDT HIGH GRADE, LLC**

Humboldt
1650 Central Avenue, Ste. C
McKinleyville, CA 95519

Humboldt High Grade, LLC
CA 201621010226
1650 Central Avenue, Ste. C
McKinleyville, CA 95519

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6/25, 7/2, 7/9, 7/16 (20-146)

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 20-00269**
The following person is doing Business as
OCEANSIDE JAMS

Humboldt
155 Indian Reservation Road
Loleta, CA 95551

PO Box 456
Loleta, CA 95551

Lee Ann A Moore
2552 B Street
Eureka, CA 95501

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on January 25, 2010
I declare the all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Lee Ann A Moore
This June 10, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk
6/25, 7/2, 7/9, 7/16 (20-144)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 20-00295**
The following person is doing Business as
HUMCO EXPRESS

Humboldt
920 Samoa Blvd #215
Arcata, CA 95521

2025 Fern St.
Eureka, CA 95503

Matthew IT Griffin
2025 Fern St
Eureka, CA 95503

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare the all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Matthew Griffin, Owner
This June 17, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by kt, Humboldt County Clerk
6/25, 7/2, 7/9, 7/16 (20-148)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 20-00248**
The following person is doing Business as
OTB GLASS

Humboldt
1760 Baird Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519

Brittney R Fehn
1760 Baird Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519

Michael K Fehn
1760 Baird Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519

The business is conducted by a Married Couple.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare the all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Brittney Fehn
This May 14, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by kt, Humboldt County Clerk
6/11, 6/18, 6/25, 7/2 (20-130)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 20-00256**
The following person is doing Business as
**HUMBOLDT CANNABIS TOURS
HUM VAN**

Humboldt
3215 Halfway Ave Unit A
McKinleyville, CA 95519

Black Dog Travel LLC
CA 201513810465
3215 Halfway Ave Unit A
McKinleyville, CA 95519

The business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on June 4, 2015.
I declare the all information in this statement is true and correct.
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/s Matthew Scott Kurth, CEO
This June 2, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk
6/18, 6/25, 7/2, 7/9 (20-140)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 20-277**
The following person is doing Business as
CELEBRATIONS TAMALES

Humboldt
100 Ericson Ct. Unit 150
Arcata, CA 95521

PO Box 5108
Arcata, CA 95518

Elizabeth A Nester
802 Hiller Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519

The business is conducted by an Individual.
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/s Elizabeth Nester, Owner
This June 12, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk
6/25, 7/2, 7/9, 7/16 (20-147)

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 20-00266**
The following person is doing Business as
MOON MOTHER MATERNITY

Humboldt
255 C St
Fields Landing, CA 95537

PO Box 43
Fields Landing, CA 95537

Ashley E Cook
255 C St
Fields Landing, CA 95537

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable
I declare the all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Ashley Cook, Owner
This June 5, 2020
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk
6/25, 7/2, 7/9, 7/16 (20-141)

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME DEBORAH
COLETTE AITKEN CASE NO.
CV2000587 SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF
HUMBOLDT 825 FIFTH ST.
EUREKA, CA. 95501**

PETITION OF:
DEBORAH COLETTE AITKEN
for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name
DEBORAH COLETTE AITKEN
to Proposed Name
COLETTE HETLAND
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: July 24, 2020
Time: 1:45 p.m., Dept. 4
SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
Date: June 9, 2020
Filed: June 10, 2020
/s/ Kelly L. Neel
Judge of the Superior Court
6/18, 6/25, 7/2, 7/9 (20-137)

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME JULES
TRISTAN CORONADO-BROWN
CASE NO. CV2000518 SUPE-
RIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT 825
FIFTH ST. EUREKA, CA. 95501**

PETITION OF:
JULES TRISTAN CORONADO-BROWN
for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name
JULES TRISTAN CORONADO-BROWN
to Proposed Name
JULES TRISTAN CORONADO
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: July 24, 2020
Time: 1:45 p.m., Dept. 4
SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
Date: June 1, 2020
Filed: June 1, 2020
/s/ Kelly L. Neel
Judge of the Superior Court
7/2, 7/9, 7/16, 7/23 (20-151)

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
CHANGE OF NAME MICHAEL
CLINT GILES CASE NO.
CV2000595 SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF
HUMBOLDT 825 FIFTH ST.
EUREKA, CA. 95501**

PETITION OF:
MICHAEL CLINT GILES
for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name
MICHAEL CLINT GILES
to Proposed Name
MICHAEL CLINT HOLBROOKS
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: July 31, 2020
Time: 1:45 p.m., Dept. 6
SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
Date: June 12, 2020
Filed: June 12, 2020
/s/ Gregory Elvine-Kreis
Judge of the Superior Court
6/25, 7/2, 7/9, 7/16 (20-143)



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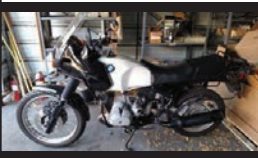
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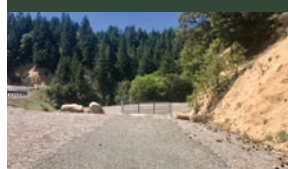


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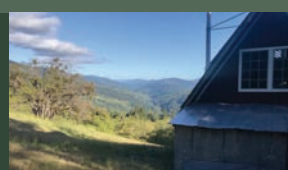


BIG BAR – HOME ON ACREAGE - \$269,000

Bright and sunny 2/2 home on ±1.5 acres with a large metal building, additional workshop, and nice covered deck to enjoy the beautiful mountain views.

MAD RIVER – LAND/PROPERTY - \$329,000

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±0.247 Acre lot available in Big Foot Subdivision in sunny Willow Creek! Has community water, sewer, and power at the property line.

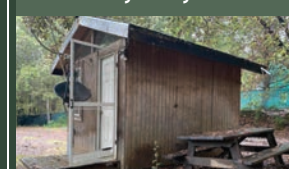


BIG BAR – LAND/PROPERTY - \$60,000

±1.2 Acre parcel in Big Bar waiting for your dream home! With septic and power already in place, this parcel is ready to build.

FORTUNA – LAND/PROPERTY - \$999,000

±24 Acres overlooking the Eel River with development/subdivision potential! Property has public utility access and owner may carry.



SALYER – LAND/PROPERTY - \$115,000

±1.45 Acre parcel w/ end of road privacy, two large buildable flats, water services in place, a 2,825 gallon water tank, power lines close by, and a small shed/cabin.

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